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## **CaliforniaVolunteers Announces 2010-2011 AmeriCorps Portfolio**

*Grant funding to help AmeriCorps programs address critical needs at the community level*

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.,** - CaliforniaVolunteers announced today its 2010-11 AmeriCorps portfolio, totaling \$28.7 million in grants to 55 AmeriCorps programs and supporting more than 4,000 members addressing critical environmental, educational, public safety or other human needs. This year's portfolio represents a \$5.2 million (22 percent) increase over the 2009-2010 portfolio.

"AmeriCorps members and programs are an invaluable asset in tackling the increased challenges our communities face during these tough economic times," said Secretary of Service and Volunteering, Karen Baker. "We are thrilled at the increase in federal funding available to California's communities and applaud all of California's AmeriCorps programs for their dedicated service."

The 2010-11 California AmeriCorps portfolio consists of programs funded through a national grant competition and those funded through a formula allotment each state receives from the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). Twenty-four California AmeriCorps programs were successful in the national competition, bringing in more than \$15.9 million in federal AmeriCorps funding to the state. CaliforniaVolunteers received an additional \$12.1 million from CNCS based upon the state's population.

AmeriCorps is a national service program that engages Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to meet critical needs in education, the environment, public safety, and other areas. Its members serve in thousands of nonprofit and faith-based organizations in rural and urban communities throughout the nation. Among other activities, AmeriCorps members tutor and mentor youth, build affordable housing, teach computer skills, clean parks and streams, run after school programs, help communities respond to disasters, and recruit and train volunteers. Since 1994, more than 80,000 Californians have served in AmeriCorps, contributing more than 90 million hours to various communities across the state.

<b>PROGRAM NAME</b>	<b>GRANT AMOUNT</b>	<b>PROGRAM AREA</b>
BAYAC AmeriCorps	\$1,363,753	SF/Bay Area
Sports4Kids	\$756,001	Bay Area / Los Angeles
California Safe Corps	\$337,210	Statewide
Get Fit Now!	\$650,740	Sacramento
Silicon Valley Health Corps	\$341,548	SF/ Bay Area
Wildlands Recovery Team	\$313,500	Los Angeles
Forest Aid Corps	\$238,888	Inland Empire
HOPE Works AmeriCorps	\$454,042	San Diego
Child Welfare System Improvement	\$377,433	Statewide
California JusticeCorps	\$1,021,305	Los Angeles
Elev8 Middle School Youth Program	\$431,440	Bay Area
North State Rural Assets Project	\$753,443	Shasta County
San Francisco Urban Teachers Residency	\$478,007	SF / Bay Area
Girls Inc. AmeriCorps	\$465,014	SF/ Bay Area

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Birth and Beyond	\$996,561	Sacramento
THINK Together	\$936,000	Orange/Riverside/Sacramento
Our City Forest	\$497,965	Santa Clara/Bay Area
One-to-One Literacy Intervention	\$517,285	Sacramento/Bay Area/Southern California
AmeriCorps VIP	\$1,960,000	Statewide
Youth Investment Center	\$489,021	Sacramento
California Energy Service Corps	\$1,185,750	Bay Area/Southern California
Watershed Stewards	\$541,435	Northern California/Bay Area
Reach Me, Teach Me	\$313,411	Los Angeles
Operation Welcome Home	\$559,726	Statewide
Viva Bien, Coma Bien, Siéntase Bien	\$386,495	Alameda County
Borderlands	\$432,002	Imperial County
Jumpstart	\$849,266	Statewide
Teach For America	\$849,851	Bay Area / Los Angeles
Coaches for a Healthy California	\$331,684	Bay Area/San Joaquin Valley/Southern California
ACE Trails Enhancements and Fire Hazard Reduction	\$320,000	Bay Area
PASS AmeriCorps	\$351,000	Southern Border
Hope for the Homeless	\$280,001	Los Angeles
BAYAC Climate and Energy Corps	\$329,984	Bay Area
San Antonio Call to Service	\$373,295	Oakland
BAYAC Health and Resiliency Project	\$392,924	Bay Area
AppleCorps	\$468,000	Santa Barbara
KernCorps	\$239,996	Kern County
Stanislaus County AC Afterschool Program	\$374,749	San Joaquin Valley
Lake County AmeriCorps	\$243,015	Northern California
OCASA	\$249,301	SF / Bay Area
Sierra Nevada AmeriCorps Partnership	\$405,000	Northern California
Project CalSERVES	\$850,000	SF / Bay Area
Destination College	\$256,639	SF / Bay Area
Project Reach/Project Apple	\$224,196	Bellflower
BruinCorps	\$198,128	Los Angeles
Youth Serve	\$338,000	North Coast
UECC/AmeriCorps	\$281,164	Inland Empire
Backcountry Trails Program	\$400,267	Statewide
Heart of Eden	\$345,051	SF / Bay Area
AmeriCorps Promote	\$389,870	Palm Desert
Monterey County United for Literacy	\$404,410	Monterey

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First 5 Service Corps	\$850,000	Statewide
Bridging Borders AmeriCorps	\$354,075	SF / Bay Area
Volunteers in Service to the Environment	\$284,130	SF / Bay Area
Providence Little Company of Mary	\$49,988	Los Angeles
Weigart East Los Angeles YMCA	\$50,000	Los Angeles
HandsOn Central California	\$50,000	Fresno
CSU Long Beach Foundation	\$50,000	Long Beach
KidWorks Community Development	\$49,941	Santa Ana
Social Advocates for Youth San Diego	\$49,999	San Diego
Regional Access Project Foundation	\$49,876	Palm Desert
Humboldt Area Foundation	\$50,000	Humboldt
Youth UpRising	\$50,000	Oakland
ACTION Council of Monterey County	\$50,000	Monterey
Eastbay Center for the Performing Arts	\$50,000	SF / Bay Area
Los Angeles Brotherhood Crusade	\$49,999	Los Angeles
Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance	\$50,000	Bakersfield
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Sacramento	\$49,922	Sacramento
United Way of Merced County	\$50,000	Merced
San Diego JusticeCorps	\$3,600	San Diego
<b>GRAND TOTAL: 55 programs and 15 planning grants</b>	<b>\$28,785,296</b>	

To find an AmeriCorps or other national service program in your area, visit the [national service directory](#).

### **About CaliforniaVolunteers**

*CaliforniaVolunteers is the state office that manages programs and initiatives to increase the number of Californians involved with service and volunteering, including the state AmeriCorps program, Business Partners Program and the Governor and First Lady Service Awards. Through the innovative Web site, CaliforniaVolunteers.org, individuals and families can find more than 50,000 volunteer opportunities throughout the state involving the arts, education, animals, disaster preparedness, the environment and other areas of interest. Karen Baker, the nation's first state cabinet secretary of service and volunteering leads the organization and First Lady Maria Shriver serves as the honorary chairperson. For more information, please visit [www.CaliforniaVolunteers.org](http://www.CaliforniaVolunteers.org).*

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