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California to Receive \$34.5 Million to Fund AmeriCorps Programs

Funding will help AmeriCorps programs address community needs

SACRAMENTO, CA – CaliforniaVolunteers announced today that the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has awarded California more than \$33.2 million in competitive and formula grants to 57 projects that support the environment, educational and economic opportunities, and disaster assistance throughout the state.

CaliforniaVolunteers has also received nearly \$1.3 million to fund planning grants for 18 different programs. Planning grants provide one-year funding to design and develop new AmeriCorps programs that can address community problems and demonstrate significant impacts.

“This is a banner year for AmeriCorps in California,” said California’s Chief Service Officer, Karen Baker. “We will be putting nearly 4,000 AmeriCorps members to work making a difference in high-need communities, all while having a dynamic service experience.”

One of the many programs funded, City Year Sacramento, will be serving over 4,000 of Sacramento’s most vulnerable students. “By improving key drop out indicators, we are helping to keep more students on track to graduate high school on time and college and career ready,” said City Year Sacramento Executive Director Jeff Owen. “This work would not be possible without the incredible investment of CaliforniaVolunteers.”

Since 1994, more than 120,000 California residents have served more than 150 million hours and have earned more than \$360 million in education scholarships. CaliforniaVolunteers oversees AmeriCorps programs that engage nearly 4,000 AmeriCorps members who serve through nonprofit, faith-based, and local government at nearly 900 locations across the State of California. They are part of the nearly 8,000 AmeriCorps members who serve throughout the state.

“AmeriCorps members make a powerful impact on the toughest challenges facing our nation,” said Wendy Spencer, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal agency that administers AmeriCorps. “Building on California’s strong tradition of neighbor helping neighbor, AmeriCorps members will improve lives and strengthen communities across the state. As they serve others, AmeriCorps members will also expand opportunity for themselves - gaining skills and experience to jumpstart their careers. We

congratulate all the California organizations who received funding this year, and thank all AmeriCorps members for their service.”

A complete list of the 57 California programs that were awarded AmeriCorps competitive and formula grants can be found below:

Program Name	Legal Applicant City	Focus Area	Grant Amount	Grant Type
ACE Trails Enhancement	Santa Cruz	Environmental Stewardship	\$417,101	Competitive, Continuation
AmeriCorps Housing Support Partnership	Eureka	Economic Opportunity	\$306,444	Formula, New/Recompete
AmeriCorps Lectura	Thermal	Education	\$752,927	Formula, Continuation
Backcountry Trails	Fortuna	Environmental Stewardship	\$386,044	Competitive, Continuation
BAYAC	San Rafael	Education	\$1,949,648	Formula, Continuation
Birth and Beyond	Sacramento	Healthy Futures	\$1,206,437	Competitive, New/Recompete
Borderlands	El Centro	Education	\$468,000	Competitive, New/Recompete
Building Healthy Communities	Bakersfield	Education	\$444,499	Formula, Continuation
California Disaster Services Corps	Los Angeles	Disaster Services	\$399,968	Formula, New/Recompete
California Safe Corps	Los Angeles	Disaster Services	\$302,222	Competitive, Continuation
CalSERVES Expanded Learning	Rohnert Park	Education	\$489,850	Competitive, Continuation
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CalSERVES VIP	Rohnert Park	Capacity Building	\$1,611,600	Competitive, New/Recompete
Career Connections AmeriCorps	San Rafael	Economic Opportunity	\$365,402	Competitive, Continuation
Child Welfare System Improvement	Sacramento	Healthy Futures	\$603,310	Competitive, Continuation
City Year LA	Los Angeles	Education	\$2,500,000	Competitive, Continuation
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City Year Sacramento	Sacramento	Education	\$849,948	Competitive, New/Recompete

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Civic Spark	Sacramento	Environmental Stewardship	\$638,267	Competitive, Continuation
Climate Corps AmeriCorps	San Rafael	Environmental Stewardship	\$410,555	Formula, New/Recompete
Community Arts Partnership AmeriCorps Scholars & Fellows Program	Valencia	Education	\$335,606	Formula, New/Recompete
Disaster Resiliency for Vulnerable Populations	Santa Ana	Disaster Services	\$335,471	Formula, Continuation
Education Outside	San Francisco	Education	\$660,766	Formula, Continuation
Elev8 Youth Program	Oakland	Education	\$760,699	Formula, New/Recompete
First 5 Service Corps	Alameda	Education	\$1,137,384	Competitive, Continuation
Food Literacy Center's AmeriCorps Program	Sacramento	Healthy Futures	\$273,314	Competitive, New/Recompete
Forest Aid Corps	San Bernardino	Environmental Stewardship	\$256,273	Competitive, Continuation
Healthy Choices AmeriCorps	San Francisco	Education	\$493,890	Formula, Continuation
Hope for the Homeless	Los Angeles	Economic Opportunity	\$297,683	Formula, New/Recompete
Jumpstart California	San Francisco	Education	\$1,341,327	Competitive, New/Recompete
JusticeCorps	San Francisco	Justice	\$1,083,740	Competitive, New/Recompete
Lake County	Lakeport	Education	\$288,850	Formula, Continuation
Los Angeles Promise Corps	Los Angeles	Education	\$583,070	Competitive, Continuation
Monterey County United for Literacy	Salinas	Education	\$477,023	Formula, Continuation
Muslim & Arab-American Resource Corps (MAARC)	Anaheim	Healthy Futures & Economic Opportunity	\$161,850	Formula, Continuation
North State Rural Assets	Redding	Healthy Futures	\$252,208	Competitive, Continuation
OCASA AmeriCorps	San Rafael	Education	\$274,743	Formula, Continuation
Our City Forest AmeriCorps	San Jose	Environmental Stewardship	\$741,442	Competitive, New/Recompete

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Partnership for Veterans and Homeless	Santa Barbara	Economic Opportunity	\$320,160	Formula, New/Recompete
PASS AmeriCorps	San Diego	Education	\$505,479	Competitive, New/Recompete
Playworks CA	Oakland	Education	\$939,125	Competitive, Continuation
Promise Zone [Operation AmeriCorps]	Los Angeles	Education	\$165,326	Competitive, Continuation
Reading Partners	Oakland	Education	\$1,027,000	Competitive, Continuation
Reading Partners	Oakland	Education	\$338,000	Formula, Continuation
San Francisco Teacher Residency	San Francisco	Education	\$546,960	Formula, Continuation
Sierra Nevada AmeriCorps Partnership	South Lake Tahoe	Environmental Stewardship	\$363,309	Competitive, Continuation
Super Stars Literacy	Oakland	Education	\$363,958	Competitive, Continuation
Tree Mortality Mitigation Corps (CCC)	Sacramento	Environmental Stewardship	\$855,553	Formula, New/Recompete
UECC	Riverside	Education	\$289,602	Formula, New/Recompete
Up2Us Sports - California	Los Angeles	Healthy Futures	\$235,655	Competitive, New/Recompete
VIP Service Enterprise	Rohnert Park	Capacity Building	\$805,805	Competitive, New/Recompete
Viva Bien, Coma Bien, Sientase Bien	Hayward	Healthy Futures	\$274,600	Competitive, New/Recompete
Water Action Corps	Sacramento	Environmental Stewardship	\$274,600	Competitive, New/Recompete
Watershed Stewards Project	Fortuna	Environmental Stewardship	\$426,950	Competitive, Continuation
Work Success Now!	Santa Cruz	Economic Opportunity	\$268,292	Formula, Continuation
Young Scholars	San Bernardino	Education	\$317,292	Formula, New/Recompete
Youth Investment Center	Sacramento	Education	\$366,637	Competitive, New/Recompete
		Total Formula & Competitive:	\$33,229,039	

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		Total Planning Grant:	\$1,273,059	
		Grand Total:	\$34,502,098	

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 and the management of volunteers and monetary donations during times of disasters. For more information, please visit www.CaliforniaVolunteers.org.

About AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency that engages millions of Americans in service through AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, the Social Innovation Fund, and the Volunteer Generation Fund, and leads the President's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. For more information, visit www.NationalService.gov.

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