

SERVE OHIO

Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism

STRENGTHENING OHIO COMMUNITIES THROUGH AMERICORPS AND VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT



2019 AmeriCorps Impact in Ohio

900+
Ohio AmeriCorps
members



1.2
MILLION
hours of
AmeriCorps service



497
AmeriCorps
service sites



\$4.2
MILLION
in AmeriCorps
Educational
Awards



24,000
youth served



11,000+
STUDENTS
improved academic
performance



Since 1994, more than 35,000 Ohio residents have served as AmeriCorps members. They've given approximately 56 million hours of service and earned education awards totaling \$118.2 million.

About ServeOhio

ServeOhio is authorized under Section 121.40 of the Ohio Revised Code as the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism. ServeOhio empowers communities to utilize AmeriCorps members and volunteers to address the frontline issues in education, health, economic opportunity, and environmental stewardship.

As Ohio's Commission on Service and Volunteerism, ServeOhio collaborates and partners with nonprofit, government, and community organizations to increase the effective utilization of AmeriCorps members and community volunteers. Additionally, ServeOhio develops, funds, and evaluates AmeriCorps programming throughout the state for the purpose of building a stronger Ohio.

The AmeriCorps Experience



Building Resumes, Erasing Student Debt

AmeriCorps is a national service program that engages more than 80,000 Americans in intensive service each year at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community organizations across the country.

ServeOhio invests in AmeriCorps programming by working with nonprofits, public agencies and community organizations to build high-impact service initiatives that address the local community's most critical needs. ServeOhio partners with local programs to build skills and increase employment opportunities for the 900+ individuals serving as AmeriCorps members.

Members serve in full or part-time positions and receive a modest annual living allowance. In addition, members may have access to other benefits such as health insurance, childcare, training, and student loan forbearance during their service. Upon successful completion of their service, members may receive a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of up to \$6,095 to pay for college, graduate school, or to pay back student loans.

This year, Ohio AmeriCorps members will receive over 130,000 hours of professional development and training and earn more than \$4.2 million in education awards that can be used to pay for post-secondary education or qualified student loans. Additionally, many AmeriCorps programs help their members obtain professional certifications during their service term, which increases their employability post-service. AmeriCorps equips members with valuable workplace skills that prepare them to be valuable members of any team.



Volunteer Engagement

ServeOhio works directly with volunteer program administrators at nonprofit, government, and community organizations to provide them with the tools and skills they need to strategically engage volunteers. In this role, ServeOhio helps community organizations build capacity to increase their volunteer recruitment efforts, ultimately enabling more volunteers to serve communities in need.

Community Volunteer Project Grants

With support from American Electric Power Foundation and the Corporation for National and Community Service's Volunteer Generation Fund, ServeOhio provides funding to support grassroots and community volunteer projects organized for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January), Global Youth Service Day (April), ServeOhio Day (June), and Make A Difference Day (October). These community volunteer projects engage thousands of local residents, enhance livability, and bolster community spirit. In 2019, ServeOhio will fund 64 community volunteer projects across the state.

2019 Volunteer Engagement Impact in Ohio

8,500
community
volunteers engaged



57,000
hours of
community
volunteer service



Professional Development for Volunteer Administrators

ServeOhio strengthens the capacity of Ohio nonprofit organizations to recruit, train, manage and retain volunteers. Through the skills-based volunteerism training academy, ServeOhio provides advanced-level training and ongoing support for Ohio nonprofits to effectively engage skills-based volunteers in highly defined projects that increase organizational capacity.

ServeOhio promotes volunteerism and equips volunteer program administrators with the tools and resources they need to strategically engage volunteers in their local community. An example of this is the annual Ohio Conference on Service and Volunteerism that inspires and connects volunteer program administrators, national service program directors, AmeriCorps members, philanthropy managers and nonprofit leaders. The conference builds relationships and skill sets to support the continued evolution and impact of Ohio's service and volunteerism professions.

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2019-20 Ohio AmeriCorps Programs

PROGRAM	GRANT	PRIMARY SERVICE ACTIVITY
Education: Improving Learning, Strengthening Schools		
After-School All-Stars Planning Grant	\$75,000	Program will focus on Education/STEM. (Franklin County)
City Year Cleveland	\$1,134,832	76 members provide tutoring and mentoring services to increase academic achievement. (Cuyahoga County)
City Year Columbus	\$881,947	62 members provide tutoring and mentoring service to increase academic achievement. (Franklin County)
College Now Greater Cleveland Ohio College Guides	\$959,011	70 members advise first-generation students on college admission strategies. (Statewide)
College Now Greater Cleveland AmeriCorps Career Coaches	\$151,920	10 members provide college and career coaching for high school freshman. (Cuyahoga County)
Community Properties of Ohio Impact Corporation CPO Building Blocks	\$149,111	16 members increase early literacy and school readiness skills in low-income housing communities. (Franklin County)
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio Ohio Reading Corps	\$900,000	120 members support student achievement in K-3 grade-level reading proficiency. (Statewide)
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio AmeriCorps Mentors for Success	\$165,000	20 members serve as near-peer mentors for middle and high school students. (Franklin & Delaware County)
Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association Planning Grant	\$74,978	Program will focus on Education, Economic Opportunity, and Safer Communities. (Cuyahoga and Lake Counties)
Horizon Education Centers HEC Family Engagement	\$223,936	18 members increase kindergarten readiness and family engagement. (Cuyahoga County)
John Carroll University Health Professions Affinity Community	\$531,727	41 members support rural & urban youth in career development to increase affinity for careers in the healthcare industry. (Statewide)
Shawnee State University Project BEAR	\$118,794	14 members provide reading instruction in childcare facilities and preschools. (Scioto County)
Springfield Promise Neighborhood Springfield PromiseCorps	\$151,899	20 members prepare Pre-K youth for kindergarten & tutor low income youth in K-3 classrooms in Springfield. (Clark County)
Teach for America TFA Ohio	\$155,000	155 members support academic success by teaching in low-income schools. (Northeast & Southwest Ohio)
Zoological Society of Cincinnati Zoo Unto Others AmeriCorps Program	\$182,183	12 members provide STEM education and science literacy. (Hamilton County)
Economic Opportunity: Building Skills, Increasing Impact		
City of Dayton/University of Dayton Dayton Corps	\$310,213	70 members facilitate community-building around housing insecurity & educational support in Dayton. (Montgomery County)
Ohio Historical Society Ohio History Service Corps	\$149,835	10 members build capacity for local history centers. (Statewide)
Santa Maria Community Services Project Advance	\$227,881	15 members assist low-income residents with health education and GED services. (Hamilton County)
University Settlement NEO Skills Corps	\$167,112	15 members provide financial literacy and job skills education with low-income adults. (Cuyahoga County)
Healthy Futures: Building Healthy Futures and Environmental Sustainability		
Mercy Health Mercy Health Corps	\$151,817	11 members provide services to reduce & prevent opioid abuse in urban & rural Mercy Health Emergency Departments. (Southwest & Northwest Ohio)
Ohio Campus Compact Ohio Campus Corps	\$167,515	15 members provide resources to address student needs and barriers to academic success. (Statewide)
Ohio University COMCorps	\$258,264	17 members provide nutrition education and access to healthy foods. (Athens & Washington Counties)
Ohio Department of Aging AmeriCorps Ombudsman Specialists	\$212,688	14 members provide services to long-term care consumers in Ohio. (Statewide)
Rural Action Ohio Stream Restore Corps	\$470,056	31 members improve environmental assets, provide education, & promote tourism in Appalachia. (Southeast & Central Ohio)
Tinkers Creek Watershed Partners, Inc. NOWCorps	\$195,709	13 members improve water quality, habitat quality, and public awareness of watersheds. (Northeast Ohio)
YMCA of Central Ohio Columbus City Corps	\$181,729	24 members will serve in early learning centers & after school programs in the Linden & Hilltop communities. (Franklin County)