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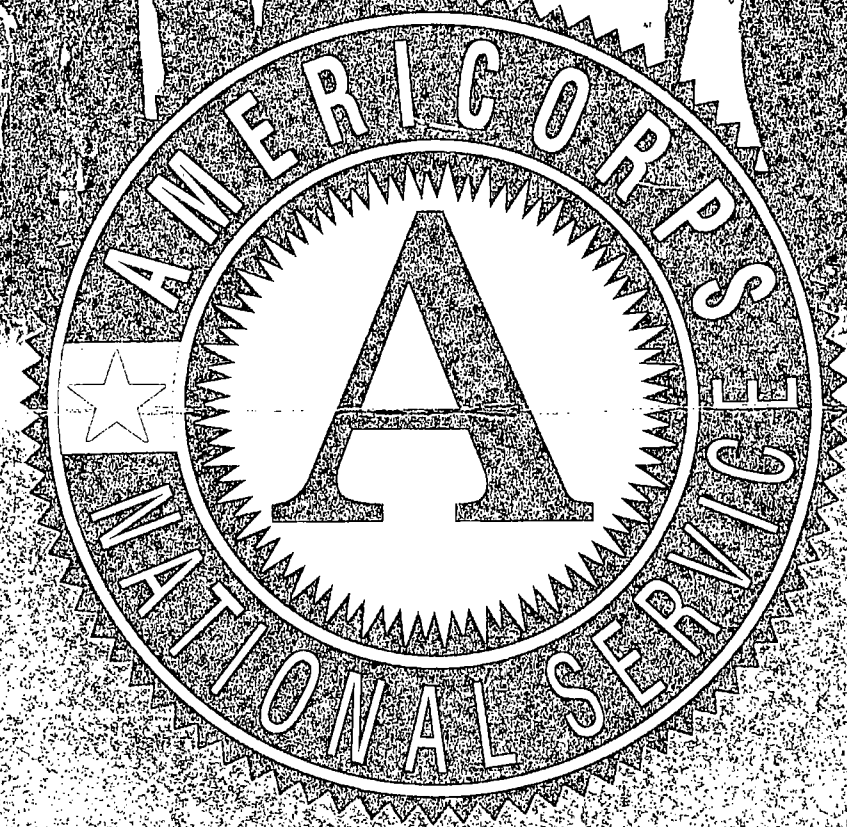
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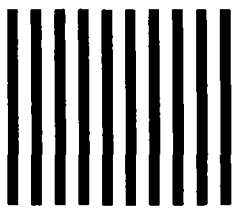
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**AMERICORPS:
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**THE NEW NATIONAL
SERVICE MOVEMENT THAT
WILL GET THINGS DONE**

AmeriCorps is the new national service movement that will engage thousands of Americans of all ages and backgrounds in a domestic **Peace Corps** to **get things done** throughout our nation's urban and rural communities.

In exchange for one or two years of **results-driven** service, Americans will receive education awards to help finance their college education or vocational training, or to pay back their student loans.

Beginning this fall, thousands of Americans will fan out across the United States to meet the critical needs of communities everywhere – **getting things done** within the AmeriCorps national priority areas of **education, public safety, human needs and the environment**.

FROM VISION TO MANDATE

"And I hope, believe, and dream that national service will remain throughout the life of America not as a series of promises, but a series of challenges to help us rebuild our troubled but wonderful land."

AmeriCorps is the direct result of President Clinton's vision for a renewed service movement in America that will rebuild our communities while broadening educational opportunities for our citizens.

AmeriCorps legislation was initiated by the President early last summer and passed within months by the United States Congress which responded to the potential of national service with bipartisan support.

On September 21, 1993, President Clinton signed into law the landmark national service bill creating **AmeriCorps** and establishing an unprecedented mandate to mobilize through service an assault on the challenges of our times.

**THE AMERICAN WAY
TO CHANGE AMERICA**

National Service as an imperative and practical way to meet our nation's critical needs is uniquely American. AmeriCorps will follow in the strong national tradition of seeking the talent of our citizens through service in times of great need: — During the Great Depression, Americans went back to work through the *Civilian Conservation Corps* – helping restore our economic health and civic spirit while rebuilding our roads and creating our national parks. — In the aftermath of World War II, the *G.I. Bill* threw open the doors of our colleges to veterans of all ages and backgrounds – offering unprecedented access to education and subsequent

career opportunities to generations of Americans from a grateful America. — And since the 1960s, the *Peace Corps* has captured the enthusiasm and energy of thousands of young Americans – willing to commit their skills to service in all corners of the earth.

OUR TURN FOR THESE TIMES

"National service recognizes a simple but powerful truth, that we make progress not by government action alone, but when the people and their government work at the grass-roots in genuine partnership."

Building upon the work ethic of the CCC, AmeriCorps will strive for real results from real work. Embracing the educational advancement of the G.I. Bill, AmeriCorps will reward commitment and responsibility with educational opportunity. And in the spirit of the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps will offer life-changing experiences that extend to lifetime legacies of service and citizenship.

But AmeriCorps will also chart its own course to ensure real results, civic responsibility, and a lasting legacy of change. And that course will lead far from the federal bureaucracies of Washington to the grass-roots of America.

For as our recent history demonstrates, the ability to get things done in America is being realized more and more at the community level, where citizens are mobilized and national movements for change are created – movements exemplified by the great struggle for civil rights, and including existing and exciting community-based service initiatives across the country.

**THE AMERICORPS
NATIONAL SERVICE NETWORK**

Community-driven and employing the best principles of reinventing government, AmeriCorps will operate in partnership with community-based organizations nationwide forming the **AmeriCorps National Service Network**.

The local programs in the AmeriCorps Network will be selected through an on-going national competition. These programs will run a wide range of service projects that best meet the critical needs of their local communities. For example, AmeriCorps service projects might be run by small start-ups in our most remote and rural areas – and by long-established service organizations coordinating multi-state outreach; by new youth corps of teenagers just out of high school – and by on-going professional corps of teachers' aides, lawyers, scientists, and business leaders; by local municipalities – and by federal agencies; by institutions of higher education – and by local schools; by Indian Tribes – and by police districts. And by all manner of exciting local partnerships between any and all the above – and more!

Special Note: The AmeriCorps Network will also include two nationally-

operated service programs; the existing VISTA –Volunteers in Service to America, now celebrating 30 continuous years of national service; and the National Civilian Community Corps – a new service corps focusing on the environment in the spirit of the CCC.

**AMERICORPS
WILL LOOK LIKE AMERICA**

The AmeriCorps objective of providing educational opportunity for community-based service will result in a new national service movement of predominantly young adults. But AmeriCorps Members will be drawn from men and women of all ages (over age 16), and will represent all economic backgrounds, racial and ethnic groups, regions and religions, and people with disabilities. **AmeriCorps will look like America!**

**AMERICORPS
NATIONAL PRIORITIES**

While AmeriCorps will be community-based and community-driven: all programs in the AmeriCorps Network and all AmeriCorps Members will be working to **get things done** within the AmeriCorps national priority areas of education, public safety, human needs and the environment. **These are the AmeriCorps "Getting Things Done" National Priorities.**

EDUCATION

The kinds of things AmeriCorps Members will be getting done to help ready our youth for school and realize their school success:

- Mentoring teen-age parents to help them graduate and organizing learning projects for their pre-school children
- Tutoring grade school children in basic reading (and teaching teens state-of-the-art computer skills)
- Organizing innovative after-school service programs and encouraging young peer-to-peer role modeling
- Teaching vocational job skills to high school students and facilitating their transition from school to work

**AMERICORPS FACTS AND
HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

WHAT IS AMERICORPS?

AmeriCorps is the new national service initiative signed into law by President Clinton that will create a domestic Peace Corps to help meet our critical national needs.

AmeriCorps will be launched this September. By the end of the year, as many as 20,000 Americans will be *getting things done* through service in our urban and rural communities everywhere!

AM I ELIGIBLE TO JOIN AMERICORPS? **AmeriCorps Members will be from all ages and backgrounds – and AmeriCorps WILL LOOK LIKE AMERICA!** You must be 17 years or older (16 for some

select youth programs); a U.S. citizen or legal resident; and, in most cases, a high school graduate.

**WHAT KIND OF SERVICE
WOULD I BE DOING?**

You would be doing results-driven, community-based service that will get things done to meet our country's critical **education, public safety, human, and environmental needs.**

**WHAT WOULD I RECEIVE IN
EXCHANGE FOR MY SERVICE?**

AmeriCorps is about community responsibility and educational opportunity! In exchange for one or two years of service, you would receive a living allowance averaging \$7,500 per year; health care; childcare when needed; and an education award of \$4,725 per year to finance your higher education or to pay back your student loans. Under certain circumstances, you could serve part-time and receive an education award of \$2,362 per year.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The kinds of things AmeriCorps Members will be getting done to fight crime and prevent violence:

- Assisting with community policing efforts and organizing neighborhood watch programs
- Developing crime prevention workshops and providing victims assistance services
- Managing after-school "safe havens" and leading gang and drug prevention counseling
- Conducting senior escort services and boarding up or refurbishing abandoned buildings

HOW LONG WOULD I SERVE? **For the most part AmeriCorps Members will serve full-time for one or two years.** A full-time term of service is a minimum of 1700 hours over nine months to a year. Based on the local AmeriCorps program, you could also serve part-time for a minimum of 900 hours over two (or extending to three) years.

WHEN AND WHERE WOULD I SERVE? **AmeriCorps offers a variety of time-options for service.**

You could serve after high school (or in some cases while you are working towards your GED); and during or after college, graduate school or vocational training.

And you could serve at home right in your own community – or in any other part of the country.

HOW WILL AMERICORPS OPERATE? **AmeriCorps will be grassroots-directed and community-driven.**

Right now, the Corporation for National Service which administers AmeriCorps is conducting a nationwide competition to select community-based programs which will make up the **AmeriCorps National Service Network**.

These AmeriCorps programs will be announced in stages throughout the summer.

**HOW WILL
AMERICORPS RECRUIT?**

AmeriCorps Members

will be recruited locally by the

AmeriCorps programs beginning

this summer.

Each program will determine its own selection criteria based on its own goals and objectives. Programs will be seeking AmeriCorps Members with a commitment to community service and leadership potential.

HUMAN NEEDS

The kinds of things AmeriCorps Members will be getting done to secure health and prevent homelessness:

- Counseling young mothers on prenatal care and organizing immunization drives for infants and children
- Helping the homebound and disabled live independently and staffing community health clinics for the ill and the elderly
- Coordinating needed services for public housing projects and renovating low-income neighborhoods
- Working with families residing in shelters and transitioning the homeless into permanent housing

HOW DO I JOIN?

If you are interested in joining AmeriCorps, fill out the attached AmeriCorps National Referral Form and mail it back. You will automatically become part of the **AmeriCorps National Service Network Data Base** that will be used to supplement local AmeriCorps Members with national recruits.

After you send in your form, you will receive a list of all AmeriCorps programs so that you can contact them directly to request their local AmeriCorps application.

Special Note: Joining AmeriCorps will be a highly competitive process – as well as a highly rewarding experience!

**WHEN WILL
AMERICORPS START?**

Remember! AmeriCorps will be launched this September – and by the end of the year 20,000 Americans will be serving in communities everywhere!

"Beyond the concrete achievements of AmeriCorps, beyond the expanded educational opportunities those achievements will earn, national service will help us to strengthen the cords that bind us together as a people."

All quotes by President Clinton at the White House on September 21, 1993, on the occasion of the signing of legislation creating AmeriCorps.

To receive additional AmeriCorps National Referral Forms (like the one attached) or to request applications for the NCCC and VISTA – call the AmeriCorps Hotline at 1-800-94-ACORPS (TDD-800-833-3722).

ENVIRONMENT

The kinds of things AmeriCorps Members will be getting done to protect our natural and neighborhood environments:

- Testing for lead paint in urban neighborhoods and weatherizing the homes of the elderly and disadvantaged
- Starting city-wide recycling programs and maintaining community parks and paths
- Cleaning up urban streams and inland waterways and restoring national parks and coastlines
- Monitoring for dangerous trends in air quality and groundwater levels and mobilizing national and local disaster relief efforts

Special Note: **You can apply directly to the Corporation for National Service for two nationally-operated AmeriCorps programs that are part of the AmeriCorps National Service Network. And they are recruiting right now!**

AmeriCorps*NCCC
The National Civilian Community Corps

If you are interested in getting things done like protecting a mountain stream or reclaiming an abandoned city park while you learn the latest techniques of environmental science – then find out more about the new AmeriCorps*NCCC.

With the NCCC you would live on one of four campuses located at down-sizing military bases in Aberdeen, Maryland; Charleston, South Carolina; Denver, Colorado and San Diego, California. After extensive service training you would become a member of a corps team performing vital and results-driven work in your surrounding communities. While your service would focus primarily on the environment, your team would also help meet other local needs within the AmeriCorps priority areas.

The program will involve up to 250 young men and women per base (16-24 years old) and last for approximately 11 months.

AmeriCorps*VISTA
If you are interested in becoming a service entrepreneur – where getting things done means helping direct new and ongoing service initiatives – consider AmeriCorps*VISTA – a proud and vital national service program now being reenergized to meet the challenges of the 1990s through AmeriCorps.

VISTAs (18 years or older) serve with community-based programs and are placed as individuals or in small service groups.

As with all programs in the AmeriCorps National Service Network, AmeriCorps Members with the NCCC and VISTA will serve their communities in exchange for living allowances, health and childcare benefits, and awards to finance their higher education or pay back their student loans.

Name (First, Middle, Last)

Age

AmeriCorps Referral Form

Address

City/County

State

Zip

Telephone Day ()

Evening ()

Social Security Number

Geographic Preference

- ☐ Programs in my local area
☐ Anywhere in the U.S.A.
☐ Specific State (*specify*)

Specific Region

- ☐ Midwest
☐ Northeast
☐ Northwest
☐ Southeast
☐ Southwest

Specific Area Type

- ☐ Rural
☐ Urban
☐ No Preference

Earliest Date Available

___ September/Year ___

___ January/Year ___

___ June/Year ___

Other

Month ___ Year ___

Type of AmeriCorps Program

Check all that apply

- ☐ All AmeriCorps Programs
☐ Summer Programs ONLY
☐ Part-time Programs

☐ Full-time, Year-round,
or 9 Month

- ☐ Volunteers in Service
to America (VISTA) ONLY
☐ National Civilian
Community Corps
(NCCC) ONLY

☐ Any Full-time Program

Qualifications/Experience

Highest educational level
attained (*Check all that apply*
and list major/field of study.)

- ☐ Post Graduate Work (*specify*)
☐ MBA ☐ MD ☐ MSW
☐ JD ☐ RN
☐ Other, *specify*

☐ Bachelor's Degree

☐ Some College

☐ Associate's Degree

☐ High School Diploma

☐ Some High School

Languages other than
English (*specify*)

Are you a U.S. Citizen or a
Permanent Resident Alien?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever performed
community service?

☐ Full-time ☐ Part-time

Have you ever been in a
National Service program?

- ☐ VISTA
☐ Peace Corps
☐ Other, *specify*

Skills (*check all that apply*)

- ☐ Computer
☐ Business/Managing/
Accounting
☐ Public Speaking
☐ Mediation/Conflict
Resolution
☐ Health
☐ Construction
☐ Community Outreach
☐ Landscaping/Gardening
☐ Child Development
☐ Teaching/Tutoring
☐ Counseling
☐ Writing
☐ Architecture/Design
☐ Victim Assistance
☐ Other, *specify*

Have you ever been employed?

- ☐ Full-time
☐ Part-time
☐ No

Do you have Experience (E)
(paid or volunteer) and or
specific Interest (I) in any of
the following areas.

Place an E or I
next to all that apply.

- ___ Early Childhood
Development
___ Community Development
___ Education
___ Urban Environment
___ Literacy
___ Natural Resources
___ Health
___ Youth
___ Homelessness/Hunger
___ Crime Control/Prevention
Other, *specify*



**Providing the following
information is optional.**

1. Describe your ethnic
background

- ☐ African American
☐ Hispanic/Latino
☐ American Indian/
Alaskan Native
☐ White Non-Hispanic
☐ Asian American/
Pacific Islander
☐ Other, *specify*

2. Do you have any
special needs which require
accommodation?

☐ Yes, *specify* ☐ No

3. Gender ☐ M ☐ F

4. Does your family receive
public assistance (AFDC,
Food Stamps)?

☐ Yes, *specify* ☐ No

Total household income from
all sources

\$ _____

How many people (parents,
siblings, children) live with
you? _____

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Los Angeles Times

Friday June 3 1994

Rappers, TV, Ads Are Enlisted to Sell Service Program

White House has launched huge campaign to get young people interested in the new AmeriCorps effort.

By ELIZABETH SHOGREN
TIMES STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON—A beaming President Clinton, flanked by young people, is shown striding across the White House South Lawn. Everyone is clapping.

"AmeriCorps—Coming Soon To Communities Everywhere," says the advertisement, which White House officials hope will be as effective at getting participants for national service as Smokey Bear has been at reducing forest fires.

AmeriCorps is the President's signature domestic "peace corps" program. Starting in September, it will send young Americans into communities to "get things done"—like immunizing infants, tutoring teen-agers and making schools and neighborhoods safe.

In return, workers—expected to number 20,000 the first year—will receive a low wage, health benefits and stipends of \$4,725 for each year of service that they can use for education or training.

Even though 60,000 people have called to inquire about signing up for the program, Eli Segal, the President's national service czar, says he is a little nervous.

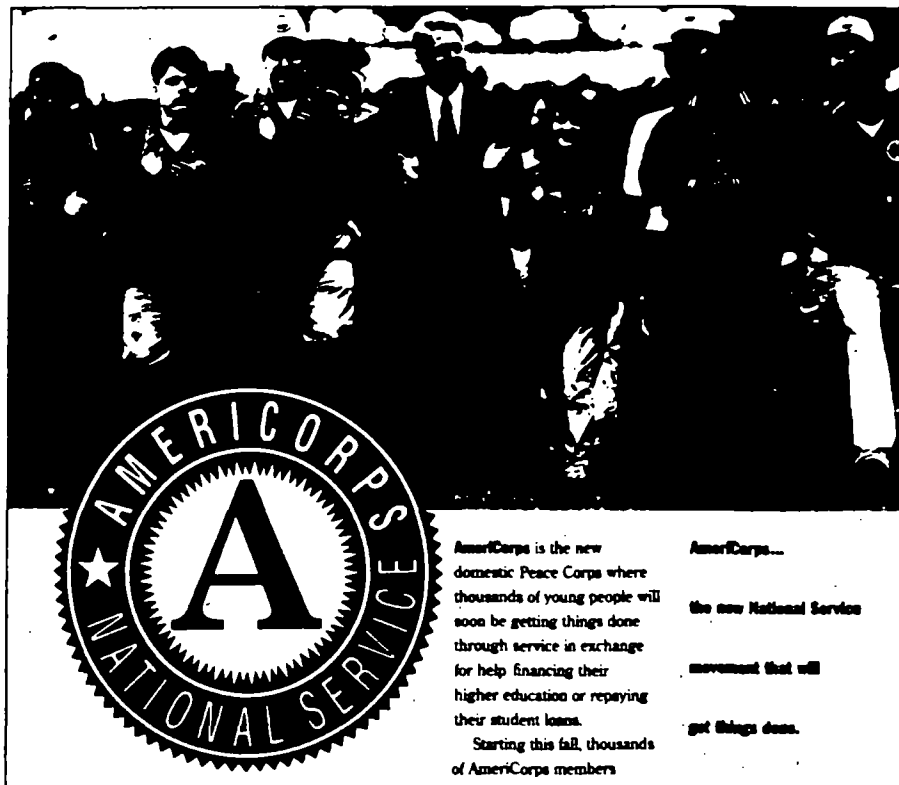
"If we throw a party and no one comes, then we haven't thrown a party," he said.

To make sure that does not happen, the Corporation for National Service, the independent agency Segal heads, has begun a sales campaign.

The first step was coming up with a logo, and that meant the "30-something" agency officials had to design a logo cool enough to appeal to those in their teens and 20s.

The corporation chose a design featuring a letter "A" swimming in a gold sun, encircled with the words: "AmeriCorps National Service" in blue block print.

After emblazoning the logo on T-shirts, badges, patches and bumper



President Clinton figures prominently in many of the new AmeriCorps ads.

stickers, it was time to take the campaign on the road to college campuses.

To promote the visits, the corporation enlisted rap artist LL Cool J. In a public-service announcement recorded for college radio stations, he urges students:

"Find out how you can be one of the 20,000 young people committed to rebuilding our communities. AmeriCorps, the new national service movement that will get things done."

Then Administration officials, accompanied by rock or rap groups, hit the campuses of UCLA, Harvard University, the University of Minnesota and Morehouse College in Atlanta last month. Smaller events announcing AmeriCorps took place at 50 other campuses.

Segal also gave his pitch to national magazines from Elle to Rolling Stone to Money, hoping they would help launch national service by running articles in their September editions.

Negotiations are under way with Ogilvy & Mather Worldwide to have the advertising agency design public-service announcements for radio and TV. Popular bands are being asked to talk up the program at concerts through the summer.

And the Administration is trying to set up partnerships between local TV stations and AmeriCorps projects in their

area, so they can keep viewers informed of what workers are accomplishing.

This emphasis on accomplishment is important because for the program to expand—or continue to exist after the first few years—Segal will have to be able to show Congress that it is having a real impact.

Segal said he has some concern that the campaign will create such demand that many interested young people will be turned away from the program. On the other hand, he said, he does enjoy entertaining the thought that his "product" could end up being as popular as the "Cabbage Patch Kids" doll craze.

Advertising campaigns for federal programs serve dual goals. One is to stimulate people to do what the government wants. The other is to sell the impression to the public that the government is doing what it promised.

For that reason, it is perhaps more than coincidence that Clinton figures so largely in the public-service ads being distributed to magazines and newspapers across the country.

"We always start with the assumption that this would not happen if Bill Clinton was not the President of the United States," Segal said. "What is unique about this is that the President of the United States is so committed to it."

The Washington Post

Youth Service Corps Officials Prepare For Recruiting Blitz

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1993

By Mary Jordan
Washington Post Staff Writer

Former inner-city gangsters and Stanford University honor students are among those expected to sign up in the new year for one of President Clinton's new programs: youths performing community service to pay for college tuition.

In January, radio and television advertisements are to begin telling thousands of students how they can enroll in AmeriCorps and get paid for work ranging from comforting AIDS patients to tutoring preschoolers.

In interviews last week with AmeriCorps leaders, details of one of Clinton's most visible campaign promises emerged for the first time. All 20,000 of the students to be selected next year will earn an \$8,000 wage (roughly \$4.25 an hour), plus health and child care benefits. If they successfully complete the 12-month program, the youths also will get \$4,725 in college or vocational school tuition or loan forgiveness. The government will write a check to the school of their choice.

Program officials expect a blizzard of applications from students, even though the compensation will be considerably lower than proposals floated during Clinton's campaign.

The first step is next month's media campaign, which will include spots on MTV, an effort that program officials hope will help make AmeriCorps as well known as the Peace Corps. In April and May, nonprofit service groups such as Teach for America, which brings recent college graduates into needy elementary school classrooms, will be selected to participate.

The winning service groups will then pick the students who will work for them. Some students will go to work next summer, with the big kickoff in September.

"One of our objectives is to create a national ethic of service," said Eli Segal, president of the Corporation for National and Community Service that oversees AmeriCorps.

Congress approved \$300 million for national service in 1994. The White House hopes funding will escalate, and that likely will depend on whether the program's initial reviews are good.

According to Clinton, youths who "look like America" will be selected. Most are expected to be between the ages of 17 and 25. Some will get involved in environmental work, others in public safety, education or health programs.

In addition to AmeriCorps, two smaller service programs are part of the national service corporation. One is the Civilian Community Corps (CCC),

modeled after the popular 1930s program that gave people jobs on public works projects, such as planting trees and fixing parks.

The CCC will involve 800 students, and all will be housed on military bases. Former military personnel will work as instructors. Youths participating in this program do not have to have a high school degree and will be selected as early as February.

"The focus will be on civilian needs," said CCC director Donald Scott. Students will work at "creating green space in parks, tree-planting projects and erosion control," among other projects, Scott said.

The other part of the service corporation is VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) formed in 1964 and located a few blocks from the White House at 1100 Vermont Ave. NW. VISTA's 3,400 volunteers will earn the same as AmeriCorps students, and will do much the same kind of community work.

By the end of this month, a toll-free hot line (1-800-94-ACORPS) will begin giving potential applicants basic information about the AmeriCorps program and help link students to specific programs in particular cities.

Each Cabinet-level agency also will be eligible to apply for AmeriCorps funds.

All states have or will set up a community service commission to help select and monitor the AmeriCorps programs. The commissions also will help distribute the federal funds. About \$11 million in federal money has been set aside for the state commissions, and they are expected to get some local funding too.

The national office will cost an additional \$14 million a year to operate. How it fares in its first year is considered crucial for the eventual success of AmeriCorps.

Some critics of the program say they worry it will not attract middle- and upper-class students because the pay is so low. Others are concerned about just the opposite, that only well-off students will be able to join. And many are waiting to see if worthwhile work will get done.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1993

USA TODAY

Launching national service policy

By Dennis Kelly
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — They aren't officially taking applications yet for President Clinton's national service plan — but they're already getting thousands of letters of interest.

The people running the Corporation for National and Community Service — just a few blocks from the White House — say that's an indication of high interest the program has generated. But it also leaves them nervous about expectations the program has created.

"There are moments of real anxiety about all that is expected. We feel a real need to get this done quickly," says Eli Segal, president of the corporation, the newly christened umbrella group overseeing Clinton's national service plan and a host of existing community service agencies. "We've got to go back to Congress and ask for appropriations (again) next year. The fear is how much needs to be done and how much we need the local communities to buy into this."

But the vision for Clinton's national service program is certainly heady stuff.

Administrators see young



SEGAL: Feels pressure to get service program working soon

workers fixing up dilapidated homes or escorting the elderly to grocery stores in crime-infested neighborhoods. They see college students working in Head Start and early childhood education programs, all the time earning money that will help pay their college bill.

Those daydreams have been there ever since Clinton touted national service as one way to help young people earn money for college.

But the daydreaming has stopped, and the program is

now gearing up the process of making it work.

Regulations for the program will be published in January. Local and national groups then will compete for grants beginning in the spring and learn who gets funded between May and August. By the end of 1994, the Clinton administration expects to have 20,000 working in community service jobs and earning awards of \$4,725 per year in the program toward a college education or vocational training.

The \$1.5 billion program intends to have 100,000 participants over three years.

The part of the national and community service corporation devoted to Clinton's plan is called AmeriCorps. Anyone 17 or over will be able to earn the \$4,725 award toward college or vocational training by working with the non-profit groups that are awarded grants in the application process, or by working with one of two existing service agencies, the Civilian Community Corps or Volunteers in Service to America, better known as VISTA.

Those hired get a \$7,400 per year stipend — about minimum wage — plus health care and child care if needed, along

with the education award.

Programs that qualify will have to meet the educational, human, environmental or public safety needs of their communities. What those are will be up to commissions forming in each state — a "bottom-up" approach that Segal says will let communities decide what kinds of service are in their best interest.

Still, Shirley Sagawa, nominated as managing director of the corporation, says the corporation will help provide the program a "national identity." That will include a common oath taken by participants, a logo, as well as training and monitoring of program quality. The corporation even plans to hire some investigative-journalist types as "circuit riders" to help ensure programs are delivering on promises.

She says the program will also work hard to ensure that program participants "look like America." That's meant to allay concerns that AmeriCorps would be dominated either by low-income groups forced into national service as the only way to pay for college or by students from high-income families getting subsidies from the federal government.

How to get information

People who think they'd like to apply for one of the 20,000 national service slots available next year can get information now, but applications won't be officially taken for a while.

To get information on AmeriCorps, call the Corporation for National and Community Service at 202-606-5000 and then, if you have a touch-tone phone, dial 4 at the list of menu options. You can leave your name and address and you'll be sent a brochure.

This month, the corporation will announce a toll-free 800 number. Then in May and August when 300 to 400 non-profit groups are selected to offer the national service jobs, the toll-free number will get you to an operator who can tell you about programs in your area. Local and national agencies that win grants will do the hiring.

Those interested also can write the corporation at 1100 Vermont Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005, Attn: AmeriCorps.

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A meeting of young and old minds

DAVID NYHAN

Vince Nobile has a shaved head, a Yamaha trombone and the right attitude.

His ska band, Bim Skala Bim, pumped up the volume and the energy level Tuesday on a sunny acre abutting the north end of Harvard Yard. The kids of America, represented by several hundred T-shirted and dungareed youths, were still vibrating.

This was the closest that the spirit of John Harvard, represented by a solemn statue of the founder seated, ponderously, 100 yards south, would ever get to a mosh pit.

"We played one of our tunes, 'Eight Track Mind,' about backwards thinking and it's time to get with the '90's," said Nobile. "It's a message to wake up. Then we did 'Digging a Hole.' You know: when you're on a good thing, keep it goin'. It's up to the people to keep it movin'." No kidding.

Suitably pumped by Bim Skala Bim, the future leaders, followers and in-betweeners of America's next century listened politely to the four-food-groups pitch-persons of the new volunteer movement, the community service crowd.

In case you haven't noticed - you'd never know it if you get your news from television - the smarter, abler and higher-minded of America's young are set to embark on a vast experiment in community service. The concept was embraced by

the young after it was enabled by the Clinton administration.

The label slapped on this new set of government-encouraged programs approved by Congress is AmeriCorps, which has all the requisite logos, fact sheets (every 17-year-old or older who's accepted for a one- or two-year hitch gets a weekly stipend, health insurance and \$4,750 a year toward college), and a catch-all number, 1-800-94-ACORPS.

A fledgling federal agency, the Corporation for National Service, linked up with Rock the Vote for four rallies around the country. This

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one put the administration's youngest insider - George Stephanopoulos, born in '61, Kennedy's first year as president - alongside one of the oldest - Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, 56 next month.

Babbitt, who might be nominated to the Supreme Court today, was a student at Harvard in 1965, when Stephanopoulos was three. He told the young crowd what it was like then, with JFK fresh in his grave, blacks battling fire hoses in the

South and TV news just emerging from its Stone Age. "I was a student on this campus, watching TV, seeing the streets of Selma, Alabama, and Martin Luther King Jr.," said Babbitt. "Events were gathering for the civil rights march to Montgomery."

To his audience, the saga was almost as remote as Julius Caesar's Gallic wars. "Something seized me," Babbitt continued. "I walked off this campus and went to Selma, Ala., for several weeks." He joined the Movement, a young white guy from Arizona hanging around small Southern towns where blacks couldn't vote, eat at a restaurant or use the john. Babbitt became a '60's guy, working for VISTA and Head Start. "It was the most important thing I've ever done in my life," said a fellow who's been governor, a Cabinet officer, a not-too-shabby candidate for president and maybe soon a judge.

No Harvard crowd is ever short of a cadre of boot-licking careerists. Could it be true that a Cabinet officer and maybe a Supreme Court judge would get a bigger kick out of integrating a lunch counter in Mississippi than getting a cushy job in D.C.?

But the young prefer hearing from the young. Stephanopoulos, Clinton's MTV Man, is a heart-throb to fanzine-style groupies of the 12-13 bracket. He plugged Clinton's agenda, linking it to the youth revolt the young love to hear about. "Elections matter. What you do matters. Government can do something, govern-



DOROTHY ADICE ILLUSTRATION

Bruce Babbitt went from Harvard Yard to Selma, Ala. Will his next stop be the Supreme Court?

ment can work to change people's lives for the better."

Bruce Babbitt nodded vigorously; 29 years after bolting Harvard Law School for Selma and the Movement, he's got a shot at going on the Supreme Court. You don't need to be a weatherman, or a trombonist in a ska band, to know that things change if enough people want them to change. Clinton may be ham-handed with foreign policy, but he's gangbusters on national service. In the marathon now underway in the nation between cynicism and idealism, the race is to the young. Where they go, this country goes.

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National service's time has come



RICHARD REEVES

"This is one of the best-kept secrets in the country," said Bruce Corwin, the chairman of Metropolitan Theatres Corp., as he listened to Eli Segal, the man President Clinton chose to create and run national service programs. "I want to put this up on my screens."

A generous offer, considering that Metropolitan owns 800 screens in movie theaters across California. And it is true that the new National and Community Service Trust Act, signed into law by the president in September, has gotten lost in the clouds of media attention to Whitewater, Bosnia and Tonya Harding.

But President Clinton has his domestic Peace Corps. "A dream," he said. In case anyone might miss the connection, he used the same pen President John Kennedy used to sign the executive order that created the Peace Corps back in 1961.

Now Mr. Segal, a businessman who was Mr. Clinton's campaign chief of staff, is on the road campaigning for himself — for his agency, officially the Corporation for National and Community Service. The corporation's management mandate includes the 3,400 members of VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America), created by President Lyndon Johnson in 1964, and a new 800-member Civilian Community Corps, young people working in national forests and parks. What's new is AmeriCorps.

AmeriCorps will begin recruiting 20,000 young men and women in May. Before that, Mr. Segal and a very small staff will be out collecting applications from non-profit organizations putting together programs to employ AmeriCorps members. Government agencies from states as big as California to small towns in Idaho can also apply for AmeriCorps workers, but emphasizing private-sector involvement was the price of winning conservative support for national service. The idea that every unit of the society must be geared to the needs and whims of the "private sector," must "pay for itself" or, even better, be a "profit center" has become imbedded in the American mentality these days. Doing good or investing in the future is no longer enough; government has to make money, too.

So, in Los Angeles, Mr. Segal met with representatives of government agencies, schools, the United Way and others looking for bright-eyed help in teaching literacy or cleaning up streets, even in helping old ladies cross them without being mugged. In the spirit of the times, local sponsors will put up 15 percent of AmeriCorps costs.

AmeriCorps members will be paid twice for a year of their time and energy. First they will get something like the minimum wage for 40 hours a week. Then they will receive grants of \$4,725 toward college tuition or other skill training for each year of service. (There will also be summer corps programs for 3,500 students a year.)

The total budgeted (but not yet appropriated) for the service programs over the next three years is \$1.5 billion. That would cover total service corps membership by then of 100,000 — if Congress can be persuaded each year that every project is serving a larger (profitable) purpose than just reinforcing the idealism of the young and the good of the community.

But I suspect that Mr. Clinton and Mr. Segal are right. This is the best they can get now. If AmeriCorps works — that is, if local communities approve of the work done — it will expand, possibly, one day, into universal national service.

The first syndicated column I wrote, 15 years ago this month, argued that such national service was an idea whose time had come. I was wrong then — and often later too — but something like this is better than nothing. "National service can tell us what it is to be an American," said Mr. Segal, and I still hope he and the rest of us can make that happen — show one another that there is more to life in these United States than marketing and consuming.

Richard Reeves' column is distributed by the Universal Press Syndicate.

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Reducing crime as a summer job

Clinton service program kicks off today with grants for 90 projects

By Dennis Kelly
USA TODAY

Police cadets will tote two-way radios to watch over New York City parks; grandmas and grandpas will provide safe havens for kids in Orlando; and young people will become escorts for seniors in St. Louis.

These are some of the 90 projects that will be awarded grants today to take part in President Clinton's \$10 million Summer of Safety national service plan.

You remember the national service plan, right? It grew out of Clinton's campaign promise to help students earn money for college in return for community service. Well, the full-blown AmeriCorps project — involving 20,000 participants — starts this September. But a precursor — focusing on service that helps reduce crime — gets started June 21 with approximately 7,000 young and old people alike involved in the 90 programs named today.

And because the Summer of Safety projects are just eight to 10 weeks long, the benefits participants receive are scaled back compared with the full-year AmeriCorps pro-

gram. The summer workers will get minimum wage of about \$170 a week, and about half will get \$1,000 awards that can be applied to college or vocational training, says Eli Segal, head of the Corporation for National Service. They also will get some health care and child care benefits.

The local programs are doing the recruiting of the paid workers and volunteers, but those interested can get information on available opportunities by calling AmeriCorps in Washington, D.C., at 800 942-2677. (A tip: Be patient.)

"We wanted to show that national service could partner with these summer programs to allay some of the fear of crimes (in the country)," Segal says.

The summer effort will place the young and "young in spirit" in projects that involve either community policing, providing safe havens or safe corridors to school, or offering victim assistance. Examples:

► The New York City Police Department will add 100 to the ranks of its cadet program. These young people will be unarmed, but will help patrol parks and public housing areas to make life safer.

"They're not going to be out there enforcing the laws," says police Lt. John Clarke. Rather, they'll be "eyes and ears" for the police.

"If you're in the park and you need somebody there with a radio to call police or call an ambulance, you'll agree it helps," Clarke says.

► The St. Louis Safety Service Corps Partnership will add 40 helpers to provide escort services for seniors in public housing "so they can do their shopping and walk in the park again," Segal says.

► Orlando, Fla., will place 140 senior citizens in a Senior Summer Corps. The program creates a "Grandma's House" concept in which a home of a trained senior citizen in each block of a high crime area can be a safe haven for young people threatened in any way by crime.

Shirley Sagawa, managing director, the Corporation for National Service, says the application process for the full-scale AmeriCorps program continues. The organization will name winners of about a third of those grants at the end of May. The remainder will be announced in August.

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*Youth Corps members
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Rappers, TV, Ads Are Enlisted to Sell Service Program

White House has launched huge campaign to get young people interested in the new AmeriCorps effort.

By ELIZABETH SHOGREN
TIMES STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON—A beaming President Clinton, flanked by young people, is shown striding across the White House South Lawn. Everyone is clapping.

"AmeriCorps—Coming Soon To Communities Everywhere," says the advertisement, which White House officials hope will be as effective at getting participants for national service as Smokey Bear has been at reducing forest fires.

AmeriCorps is the President's signature domestic "peace corps" program. Starting in September, it will send young Americans into communities to "get things done"—like immunizing infants, tutoring teen-agers and making schools and neighborhoods safe.

In return, workers—expected to number 20,000 the first year—will receive a low wage, health benefits and stipends of \$4,725 for each year of service that they can use for education or training.

Even though 60,000 people have called to inquire about signing up for the program, Eli Segal, the President's national service czar, says he is a little nervous.

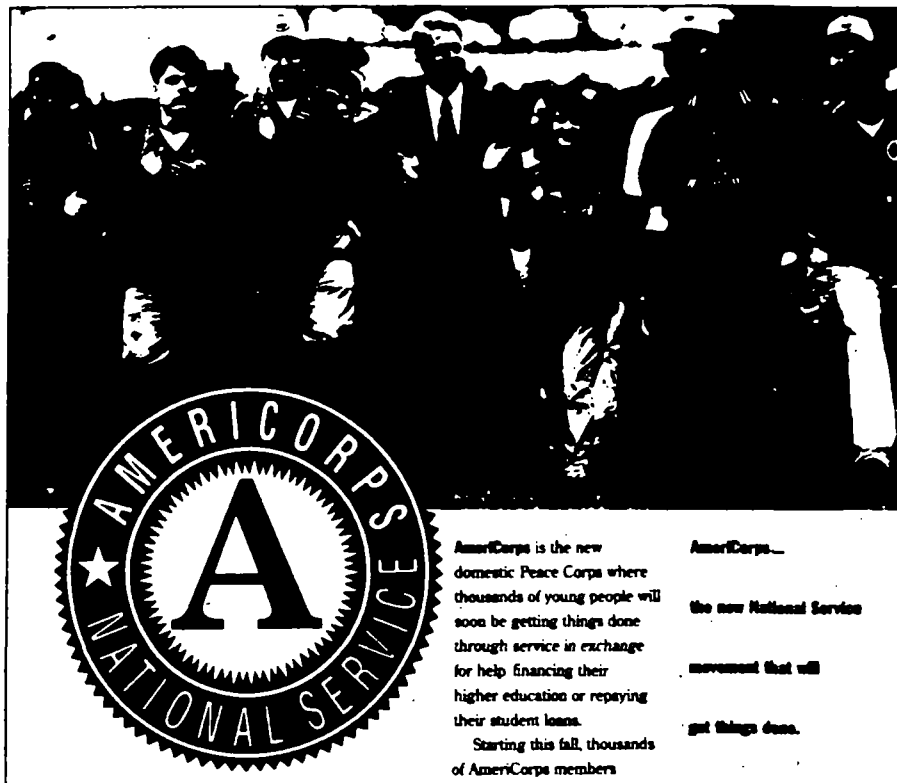
"If we throw a party and no one comes, then we haven't thrown a party," he said.

To make sure that does not happen, the Corporation for National Service, the independent agency Segal heads, has begun a sales campaign.

The first step was coming up with a logo, and that meant the "30-something" agency officials had to design a logo cool enough to appeal to those in their teens and 20s.

The corporation chose a design featuring a letter "A" swimming in a gold sun, encircled with the words: "AmeriCorps National Service" in blue block print.

After emblazoning the logo on T-shirts, badges, patches and bumper



President Clinton figures prominently in many of the new AmeriCorps ads.

stickers, it was time to take the campaign on the road to college campuses.

To promote the visits, the corporation enlisted rap artist LL Cool J. In a public-service announcement recorded for college radio stations, he urges students: "Find out how you can be one of the 20,000 young people committed to rebuilding our communities. AmeriCorps, the new national service movement that will get things done."

Then Administration officials, accompanied by rock or rap groups, hit the campuses of UCLA, Harvard University, the University of Minnesota and Morehouse College in Atlanta last month. Smaller events announcing AmeriCorps took place at 50 other campuses.

Segal also gave his pitch to national magazines from Elle to Rolling Stone to Money, hoping they would help launch national service by running articles in their September editions.

Negotiations are under way with Ogilvy & Mather Worldwide to have the advertising agency design public-service announcements for radio and TV. Popular bands are being asked to talk up the program at concerts through the summer.

And the Administration is trying to set up partnerships between local TV stations and AmeriCorps projects in their

area, so they can keep viewers informed of what workers are accomplishing.

This emphasis on accomplishment is important because for the program to expand—or continue to exist after the first few years—Segal will have to be able to show Congress that it is having a real impact.

Segal said he has some concern that the campaign will create such demand that many interested young people will be turned away from the program. On the other hand, he said, he does enjoy entertaining the thought that his "product" could end up being as popular as the "Cabbage Patch Kids" doll craze.

Advertising campaigns for federal programs serve dual goals. One is to stimulate people to do what the government wants. The other is to sell the impression to the public that the government is doing what it promised.

For that reason, it is perhaps more than coincidence that Clinton figures so largely in the public-service ads being distributed to magazines and newspapers across the country.

"We always start with the assumption that this would not happen if Bill Clinton was not the President of the United States," Segal said. "What is unique about this is that the President of the United States is so committed to it."



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AmeriCorps National Service

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**White House and Cabinet Members Announce First Wave of AmeriCorps
National Service Programs Covering 47 States and Washington, D.C.**

**Program Winners Include Scores of National Organizations
and Fifteen Federal Agencies**

At a White House press briefing today the Administration announced the first wave of AmeriCorps programs that will operate national service projects across the country beginning this fall.

AmeriCorps -- the new national service initiative signed into law by President Clinton last September -- will establish a "domestic Peace Corps," involving thousands of young Americans who will work through AmeriCorps programs to perform critical service in urban and rural communities nationwide.

AmeriCorps will be launched in September and will engage up to 20,000 AmeriCorps Members by the end of the year. In exchange for one or two years of service, AmeriCorps Members will receive educational awards to finance their higher education or pay back their college loans.

The AmeriCorps program winners -- selected through an ongoing nationwide competition by the Corporation for National Service -- will comprise the **AmeriCorps National Service Network**. The **57 programs** announced today will operate service projects involving more than **7,000 AmeriCorps Members**, serving in **hundreds** of urban and rural communities in **47 states and the District of Columbia**.

All AmeriCorps programs and AmeriCorps Members will work within the AmeriCorps national service priority areas of **education, public safety, human needs, and the environment**.

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The broad range of AmeriCorps program winners include national non-profit organizations, multi-city and multi-state partnerships, schools and universities, inter-denominational coalitions, private sector alliances, and federal agencies. All 57 programs competed with hundreds of AmeriCorps applicants reviewed by the Corporation during a four-month competition process.

The White House announcement was made by Eli Segal, Assistant to the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National Service which oversees AmeriCorps.

Five Cabinet Members whose agencies will run AmeriCorps programs also spoke at the briefing, including Attorney General Janet Reno, Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Henry Cisneros, and Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency Carol Browner.

The Cabinet Members discussed the objectives and potential impact of their respective AmeriCorps projects, and emphasized the unprecedented agency-wide outreach that AmeriCorps represents.

Additional federal agencies selected for AmeriCorps programs include the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Labor, the Department of Energy, the Department of the Navy, the Department of Veterans Affairs, Legal Services Corporation, the National Endowment for the Arts, the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, and the National Institute for Literacy.

The 57 AmeriCorps program winners announced today represent approximately the first one-third of what is expected to be as many 200 AmeriCorps programs involving 20,000 AmeriCorps Members operating by the end of the year.

The remaining two-thirds will be selected through a competitive process on a state-by-state basis over the next two months and will be announced by the White House late this summer.

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Please see the attached list of 57 national organizations and federal agencies selected to run AmeriCorps programs comprising the AmeriCorps National Service Network.

THE AMERICORPS NATIONAL SERVICE NETWORK

As of June 20, 1994

ORGANIZATIONS:

ACORN Housing Corporation
Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs
Boston University School of Public Health
Children's Health Fund
City Year
Congress of National Black Churches
Council of Great City Schools
Council of State Governments
Delta Service Corps
Environmental Careers Organization, Inc.
Green Corps
Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.
I Have a Dream Foundation
Kansas City Consensus
Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)
Magic Me America
Mid-Atlantic Network of Youth and Family Services
National Association of Child Care
Resource and Referral Agencies
National Association of Community Health Centers
National Center for Family Literacy
National Community AIDS Partnership
National Council of Educational Opportunities
National Council of La Raza
National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.
National Multiple Sclerosis Society
National Organization for Victims' Assistance
Navajo Nation
New York University Faculty Resource Network
Northeastern University Center for Sports in Society
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Public Allies
Public Education Fund Network
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Teach for America
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Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation/
Urban School Service Corps
YMCA of the USA
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Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation



AmeriCorps and Federal Agencies

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AmeriCorps programs -- selected through an ongoing national competition by the Corporation for National Service -- will comprise the **AmeriCorps National Service Network**. The first wave of AmeriCorps programs, announced by the White House on June 20, include national nonprofit organizations, multi-city and multi-state partnerships, schools and universities, inter-denominational coalitions, private sector alliances, and **15 federal agencies**.

The 15 federal agencies selected to operate AmeriCorps programs will involve approximately 2500 AmeriCorps Members working within the critical AmeriCorps National Service Priority Areas of Education, Public Safety, Human Needs, and the Environment.

Department of Agriculture

AmeriCorps Members: 1,200 Sites: 35

The Department of Agriculture's AmeriCorps grant will fund initiatives in three areas: anti-hunger, rural development, and public land restoration. Through the first initiative, AmeriCorps Members will increase public awareness of food stamp and school breakfast programs, lead nutrition campaigns, and create urban gardens and farmers' markets in low-income communities. The anti-hunger initiative is a collaboration among the Department of Agriculture, local hunger agencies, and youth corps and will operate in Los Angeles, CA; Washington, DC; Milwaukee, WI; the delta area in Mississippi, and across the state of Vermont.

Through the Rural Development Project, AmeriCorps Members will help communities protect watersheds, assess water quality, provide disaster relief, improve housing and more. The rural development sites include: Maine, Vermont, northwestern New York, South Carolina, and select areas of Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Through USDA's third initiative, focused on public lands, AmeriCorps Members will rehabilitate park facilities, blaze trails, lead environmental education seminars, and conduct other projects specific to each of the following sites: western Kansas, western Oklahoma, Texas (coast region), Atlanta, GA; Boston, MA; East St. Louis, IL; New Jersey (statewide), Washington, D.C.; Chicago, IL; Portland, OR; San Bernadino, CA; Six Rivers National Forest, CA; Olympic National Forest, WA; Rogue River National Forest, OR; Arizona (national forests statewide); Bienville National Forest, MS; Green Mountain National Forest, VT; White Mountain National Forest, NH; and flood regions in the midwest.

Contact: Joel Berg 202-720-6350.

Department of Energy

AmeriCorps Members: 72 Sites: One multistate site

The Department of Energy is forming the AmeriCorps Salmon Corps, which will help restore the salmon habitat throughout the Columbia River Basin in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Most of the AmeriCorps Members will represent the local Native American population. The Salmon Corps is a collaborative effort among the Earth Conservation Corps, Intertribal Fish Commission, and the Department of Energy. Contact: Howlie Davis 202-586-7970.

Environmental Protection Agency

AmeriCorps Members: 135 Sites: 10

EPA's AmeriCorps program will focus on public awareness and risk reduction initiatives related to environmental degradation in low-income communities. AmeriCorps Members' activities will include radon testing, lead poisoning prevention, river clean up, ground water management, and more. EPA AmeriCorps Members will work in San Francisco, CA; Newark, NJ; Atlanta, GA; Pierce County WA; El Paso, TX; statewide Alaska; Washington, DC; Boston, MA; Providence RI; and Oregon (statewide). Contact: Helga Butler 202-260-4179

Department of Health and Human Services

AmeriCorps Members: 230 Sites: 7

The Health and Human Services programs focus on human needs, through community health outreach initiatives, and education, through assistance to Head Start centers. In health outreach, AmeriCorps Members will work in child immunization and prenatal care programs for people without access to primary care providers. In education, AmeriCorps Members will work in Head Start centers, assisting with tutoring, meal planning, and parent outreach. A third program, run by the Administration on Developmental Disabilities, will involve AmeriCorps Members providing personal assistance services to people with disabilities. Health outreach sites: Chicago, IL; Pittsburg and Philadelphia, PA. Contact: John Wescott 301-443-6880. Head Start sites: Rosebud, SD; Flathead Reservation, MT; Wauchula, Bowling Green, Indiantown, Okeechobee, FL; Fort Totten, ND. Contact: Gail Collins 202-205-8347. Personal assistance services sites: AL, GA, PA (statewide). Contact: Bob Williams 202-690-7025

Department of Housing and Urban Development

AmeriCorps Members: 100 Sites: To be determined

The Department of Housing and Urban Development is designing an AmeriCorps initiative to assist in its HOPE 6 Urban Revitalization Demonstration Program, which involves public housing residents in improving their housing conditions through community service initiatives. AmeriCorps Members will be recruited from housing developments and will work in those communities in restoration and conservation projects. AmeriCorps Members will receive tutoring, mentoring, and counseling support during their term of service. Contact: Kevin Marchman 202-401-8812.

Department of the Interior

AmeriCorps Members: 530

Sites: 6

The Department of Interior's AmeriCorps program will involve young people in conservation and restoration of public lands, wetlands, forests and rivers; monitoring air and water quality; and surveying endangered species and vegetation areas. DOI's initiative is a collaboration among the National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, and Bureaus of Land Management and Reclamation, as well as local environmental organizations. DOI Sites: Everglades, FL; Alamo, TX; Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; Fort Ord, CA; Denver, CO. **Contact: Sue Kemnitzer 202-208-4009**

National Institute for Literacy

AmeriCorps Members: 83

Sites: 4

The National Institute for Literacy, an independent Federal agency administered by the Secretaries of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services, has created the Literacy AmeriCorps Program. The Institute is working in partnership with local literacy groups to recruit and train AmeriCorps Members to assist in family literacy programs. The wide variety of activities aim to improve reading and writing skills of mothers on welfare, populations for whom English is a second language, and families who are homeless. Sites: Pittsburgh, PA; Seattle, WA; Houston, TX; and select areas of Louisiana. **Contact: Carolyn Staley 202-632-1500**

Department of Justice

AmeriCorps Members: 210

Sites: 7

The Department of Justice and the Department of Education have designed an AmeriCorps program to address public safety. Programs will follow the "weed and seed" strategy for public safety, which calls for increased law enforcement, community policing, economic revitalization, and substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment. AmeriCorps Members will work with police officers, educators, and community officials in dozens of initiatives including community policing, home security, victims assistance, neighborhood revitalization, drug prevention, conflict resolution and more. DOJ Sites: Trenton, NJ; Philadelphia, PA; San Antonio and Fort Worth, TX; Seattle, WA; Madison, WI. **Contact: Kathleen Kennedy Townsend 202-307-5933**

Department of Labor

AmeriCorps Members: 56

Sites: 8

The Department of Labor's AmeriCorps program will involve members in "Youth Fair Chance" initiatives across the country. These programs will provide opportunities for young people of low-income communities to serve as mentors and tutors for other youth in their neighborhoods. Their wide range of activities will include increasing school attendance, reducing gang activity, assisting in college preparation, and increasing drug prevention and treatment efforts. DOL Sites: TBA **Contact: David Lah 202-219-5782**

Legal Services Corporation

AmeriCorps Members: 54

Sites: To be determined

The Legal Services Corporation will bring together lawyers, paralegals, social workers, and educators in forming the National Service Legal Corps. The NSLC will work in legal services offices across the country on such issues as housing, child care, and domestic violence. The Legal Services Corporation will administer this program in collaboration with NAPIL, the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, the Project Advisory Group, and local legal service groups to provide NSLC training and evaluation. **Contact: Leslie Russell 202-336-8824**

Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation

AmeriCorps Members: 30

Sites: To be determined

The Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation's AmeriCorps program will form the NeighborWorks Community Corps, through which AmeriCorps Members will help in community restoration projects across the country. Activities will include workshops on purchasing affordable homes, property maintenance training, and neighborhood restoration. **Contact: Ronald Walker 202-376-3216**

National Endowment for the Arts

AmeriCorps Members: 60

Sites: 3

The National Endowment for the Arts' AmeriCorps grant will help young writers use their literary talents to benefit other youths. In partnership with the Associated Writing Program, the NEA will help AmeriCorps Members lead reading and writing workshops for hundreds of elementary students in low-income area schools and young people in homeless shelters and youth centers. NEA AmeriCorps Sites: San Francisco, CA; Bronx, NY; Washington, DC. **Contact: A.B. Spellman 202-682-5421**

Department of the Navy

AmeriCorps Members: 133

Sites: 1

In Collaboration with Texas A&M University, the National Guard, and the Department of Defense Civil Military Cooperation Directorate, the Navy Department has designed a residential program called the AmeriCorps Seaborne Conservation Corps. AmeriCorps Members will be based on ship while addressing environmental needs in Galveston Bay. Following nine months of service, AmeriCorps Members will be placed in community apprenticeships where they will be able to use the marine industry skills they acquired through this project toward securing full-time employment. Site: Galveston, TX.

Contact: Colonel Jack Davis 703-740-4403

Department of Transportation

AmeriCorps Members: 60

Sites: 3

In partnership with local youth corps, the Department of Transportation's AmeriCorps program will work on transportation issues in Olympia, WA; Baltimore, MD; and Washington, D.C. AmeriCorps Members will make transportation facilities more accessible for seniors and people with disabilities, turn abandoned railroad areas into recreational grounds, and increase awareness of public transportation benefits. **Contact: Timothy Belz 202-366-1111**

Department of Veterans Affairs

AmeriCorps Members: To be determined

Sites: 2

The Department of Veterans Affairs has formed a partnership with the National Coalition for the Homeless to create an AmeriCorps program focused on the needs of veterans who are homeless. AmeriCorps Members will help in obtaining needed medical care, accessing drug abuse prevention and treatment, and receipt of vocational training for homeless veterans. Members also will renovate two Houston homes and a ranch to house homeless veterans. Sites: Los Angeles, CA; Houston, TX.

Contact: Marcelle Habibion 202-273-5058

File National Service

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 12/18/93

ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 12/22/93

SUBJECT: PROGRESS ON NATIONAL SERVICE

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RESPONSE:

JOHN D. PODESTA
 Assistant to the President
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THE WHITE HOUSE
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December 14, 1993

INFORMATION
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ELI SEGAL *ES*

SUBJECT: PROGRESS ON NATIONAL SERVICE

This memorandum will review certain of the key activities in which we are currently engaged, as your Corporation for National and Community Service hits the mid point of its third month of operations.

1. Involvement of the States: Consistent with your early instructions and with their critical role within our structure for the selection and monitoring of programs, the states have received our early and methodical attention. I have visited with Governors en masse (at the NGA annual meeting in Tulsa), and since October 1, increasingly in person. Democratic support has been strong (I've recently visited Governors Miller [GA], Lowry [WA], and Roberts, [OR]), so we have placed a particular emphasis on Republican governors to ensure that they will give early and diligent attention to setting up their bi-partisan state commissions. Governors Weld (MA), Merrill (NH), Wilson (CA) and Engler (MI) have all been especially supportive. One helpful by-product has been the uniformly favorable press coverage that we receive in local and regional papers on these stops, illustrative copies of which are attached.

2. Involvement of your Executive Branch: Twice you formally have requested your Cabinet to increase their Departments' involvement in service. As you know, we created an inter-agency task force, chaired by Peter Edelman, aimed at securing three types of participation:

-- Application to our Corporation for AmeriCorps programs that the Departments and agencies will run under our direction;

-- Incorporation of a service element in the work of the Department or agency (for example, HUD's Hope VI program has an earmark for a certain portion of work to be undertaken by service corps); and

-- Elevation of an ethic of service among their employees, so that the agency or Department is a model employer.

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Tomorrow, we will challenge the task force regarding the first of these matters. While some Secretaries (especially Babbitt, Espy, Cisneros and Shalala) have been more active than others, most seem quite interested in setting up new service programs, and we expect as many as 2000 of the anticipated 20,000 1994 AmeriCorps members to come from these federal branch efforts (in addition to approximately 4,000 VISTAs and 1000 members of our new Civilian Community Corps, both of which are directly operated by the Corporation).

3. Involvement of Congress: We have made the decision to continue in an active partnership with that bipartisan group of Congressional supporters which was so critical to the legislative approval of your national service initiative -- rather than re-appear on the Hill only at appropriations time. Our first working breakfast occurred recently, and gave us an opportunity to discuss our conclusions from the 1993 Summer of Service, and our plans for the roll-out of the permanent program. The members' reaction was extremely encouraging, and we intend to continue to meet with not only our friends, but members who have indicated a willingness to be persuaded, even if originally opposed. Sen. Hatfield has offered to be helpful in the Senate in drawing together his moderate colleagues. We also hope that these affiliations may have spin-off benefits for the Administration on other initiatives.

4. Status of the Summer of Safety: Your radio address Saturday was a very helpful boost to our effort to make national service an effective ally in the fight against crime and violence. (Your use of the "AmeriCorps" name was also critical, as we will soon begin our efforts to give your program's name the same pervasiveness as the Peace Corps.) We have been encouraged by the belief of police chiefs (including Los Angeles' Willie Williams) and others in the law enforcement and related fields that creative, committed and trained young people can be a potent public safety force. Those with lower skill levels can board up abandoned buildings, to keep them from being turned into crack houses, or escort seniors in crime-ridden neighborhoods; Summer of Safety participants with higher skills can actually accompany community policing uniformed officers on their beats, and stay in the neighborhoods as liaisons after the cops have moved on. We will continue to work with your crime and violence task force, to ensure that service's role is reflected in your Administration's comprehensive strategy. Copies of representative press clippings on our announcement of the summer program are attached.

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5. Status of the full national service program: As you know, our Summer participants will be joined by the first of the full-year AmeriCorps members, with the bulk of the full programs kicking off in September, 1994. Ensuring programmatic quality while delivering on this ambitious schedule has been our main task, and we are pleased to report that one-half of our regulations are mid-way through the public comment period, while the second half are being reviewed on a fast track basis by OMB and should be published for comment by Christmas. As part of our continuing effort to communicate your vision for service and explain our requirements and opportunities to the broadest audience, we will be conducting four regional conferences (in Kansas City, Los Angeles, Atlanta and here in Washington, D.C.) next month -- we expect more than 2,000 non-profits, and a host of other interested parties, to attend.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: see (Distribution List)

FROM: Mark Gearan *MG*

RE: National Service Initiative

DATE: June 27, 1993

I would appreciate any ideas you have regarding the attached memo. Please respond soon. We should certainly decide before the Bill singing.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 23, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR MARK GEARAN

FROM: Eli Segal *ES*

SUBJECT: Naming the National Service Initiative

The President's national service initiative is currently known simply as "national service."

This name seems less than ideal. The initiative is heavily decentralized, and we will need an evocative, easily recognizable name to give it a national, Presidential stamp. Young people should want to "join" the program. In addition, the name should make for a good t-shirt, one that college graduates from the Ivy League and high school dropouts from the ghetto can all wear with pride. Without such a winning name, I worry, national service will never achieve the easy recognition as a national program and a presidential initiative that it deserves.

At this late date, the President would need to announce the name in a way that garnered considerable media attention. I recommend either a speech or remarks at the bill-signing ceremony -- which could occur at the end of July or right after the August recess.

As to the name itself, we would like to capture the themes of the program: youth, change, patriotism, and community. We have consulted with our advertising team from the campaign, Hollywood studio heads, a Little Rock ad agency which proceeded on a pro bono basis, and many others. The names that seem most promising to me are:

AmeriCorps (patriotic; reference to Peace Corps and CCC connects to successful past; too corporate?)

Team America

Common Ground (feeling of community is conveyed)

C Force -- the Power of Change (appeal to youth; sense of energy and adventure)

We could, of course, stay with "national service" if it still seems to be the best choice. It's out there already and the President seems comfortable with it. But it's not evocative, it's not about communities, and it's not about educational opportunity.

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After toughest loss, Charles not at all sure. **Sports.**

Raymond takes on Wimbledon

Prodigy Lisa Raymond of Wayne wins her first match on the grass. **Sports.**

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Getting fit for service



Associated Press / ERIC RISBERG

Young people in President Clinton's Summer of Service program take physical training at Treasure Island Naval Station in San Francisco. Their workouts yesterday were part of the first day in a week of preparation for community service in exchange for minimum wage and an education voucher. It is a trial run for a national service program. Story and another picture: **A3.**



Associated Press / EF

Young people create a human knot during an exercise to build leadership at Treasure Island Naval Station. After this week's training, includes multicultural-awareness exercises, the nearly 1,500 participants will go to their communities to spend eight weeks helping others.

A "new wave" trains to rebuild — and test Clinton's national service plan.

An education for a Summer of Service

By Jane Meredith Adams
FOR THE INQUIRER

SAN FRANCISCO — Distancing themselves from the kind of self-indulgence and apathy that marred the 1980s, 1,475 young people began training yesterday in President Clinton's Summer of Service program, vowing to help rebuild their communities and the nation.

"I feel this is a new wave," said Maxine Jenkins, 23, a nursing student at Widener University, during the first full day in a week of physical training, multicultural-awareness exercises and leadership pep talks, including an address yesterday by Vice President Gore.

"We're trying to change the whole culture from the 'me generation' to the 'we generation,'" said Walker Dearth, 21, of Sacramento, Calif.

The participants, ages 17 to 25, have come to Treasure Island Naval Station from cities such as Philadelphia, New York and Los Angeles, suburbs, small

towns and an American Indian reservation in Red Lake, Minn.

Next week, they will go home to spend eight weeks helping children in their communities. In exchange, they will get minimum wage and a \$1,000 education voucher to pay tuition or student loans.

"I know I'm going to do my best," said Nadine Grant, 21, a West Philadelphia resident and senior in Temple University's nursing program, "because those children were me."

Summer of Service is a trial run of the President's ambitious national service initiative, which cleared two key committees in the House and Senate last week. Both programs are designed to channel workers into existing projects in their own communities.

Critics of the initiative have balked at its \$379 million price tag for the first year, during which 15,000 people of all ages would receive up to \$5,000 in education vouchers for each year of service. By the fourth year of the

program, as many as 150,000 people would be enrolled at a cost critics estimate at \$3.4 billion. (The legislation does not provide a cost estimate.) All who participate also would receive minimum wage, health benefits and child-care service.

Summer of Service will cost nearly \$9 million, money that Congress already has appropriated. The program includes 150 participants from the Philadelphia area who will work for ICARE (Immunize Children at Risk Early). The goal is to immunize 8,000 young children this summer operating from a base at Libertyview Medical Center, at 17th and Tioga Streets.

As the first group of workers ate ham-and-cheese sandwiches in a field on this island in San Francisco Bay yesterday, many were coping with the double shock of being away from home and discovering that summer in San Francisco means a blanket of fog.

"It's cold," said Darnetta Fuller, 23,

a North Philadelphia resident and student at the Community College of Philadelphia. Like most of the Philadelphia contingent, she heard the Summer of Service at "This is a way for us to show trying to give back," she said. "needed was someone to give helping hand."

While the spirit of the Peace and 1960s idealism have been evoked, Summer of Service has 1990s touches. It is an ethnically diverse group — some people sit their pep rally cheers in Spanish as well as English. All the participants wear white Gap sweatshirts with the Summer of Service sunrise logo, an emblem that represents public-private partnership.

They were so enthusiastic cheered Naval employees.

"We've been called apathetic," Pia Infante, 19, a sophomore at the University of California at Berkeley, said. "Give me a break."

‘I think what we’re doing here is a reaction to the ’80s, which were all about self-interest and making money and getting ahead.’

Karen Chang



Photos by Associated Press

Youths in "Summer of Service" program embrace each other, left, after training exercises that included stretching, right.

Gore Provides the Spark

By JENIFER WARREN
TIMES STAFF WRITER

SAN FRANCISCO—Vice President Al Gore launched the Clinton Administration's domestic Peace Corps on Monday, telling 1,500 youths and young adults in training for a summer of public service that their work will help "build the future of America."

In a spirited speech that drew wild cheers from the trainees, Gore called community service an idea that began with "barn raisings on the American frontier" and evolved through initiatives by Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy.

"You believe in this country," the vice president told the participants, who roared their agreement. "This country believes in you."

Gore's remarks highlighted the opening of a week of "boot camp" style training for volunteers in President Clinton's Summer of Service, which will

Amid Cheers and High Hopes, Vice President Helps Launch 'Summer of Service' Program

deploy young adults in 16 programs serving needy children.

Participants range in age from 17 to 25 and represent cities from Oakland to New Orleans—with about 200 from Los Angeles. Some are students at prestigious Ivy League universities; others are as disadvantaged as the children they will serve in the coming months.

The summer session is the modest prototype of Clinton's \$7.4-billion national service program, an effort that aims to broaden access to higher education and harness the energy of new graduates for socially useful work.

The program—a cornerstone of Clinton's presidential campaign—is awaiting congressional approval. Clinton, who compares its potential to the accomplishments of Kennedy's Peace Corps, has said he hopes to put 25,000 young people to work next year, and expand that to include 150,000 annually by 1997.

After their training this week, the participants will begin jobs ranging from tutoring homeless children to testing for lead poisoning and rebuilding dilapidated playgrounds. For their efforts the summer workers will receive the minimum wage and a \$1,000 stipend toward college costs. Money, however, was rarely mentioned Monday as the trainees swapped stories and discussed their motivations.

Most spoke in optimistic, idealistic terms, describing a desire reminiscent of their parents' coming of age in the 1960s—a desire to make a difference.

"I think what we're doing here is a reaction to the '80s, which were all about

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Vice President reaches out to shake hands with some of the 1,500 trainees who started President's program Monday.

Caring Is Part of This Summer Job

■ **National service: 'Building Up' program puts young people into needy communities. Participants get \$4.25 an hour and a \$1,000 scholarship.**

By ANTHONY DUIGNAN-CABRERA
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Standing near Figueroa and Exposition boulevards, Jose Jacobo—"Quest"—to his friends—looked back at the manicured lawns and graffiti-free buildings of the USC campus.

"This is where we step out into the community," he said, nodding eastward toward garbage and graffiti, barren lots and closed storefronts. "And we're going to see a great difference."

But for Jacobo and his three companions, viewing the urban decay was more than just a reminder of racial and economic injustice. It was an inventory of the area's opportunities for improvement and a way to earn some money for college this fall.

Jacobo, 22, is one of 150 young people participating in "Building Up: Summer of Service in Los Angeles," a project organized by a coalition of educational and community-based organizations that is part of President Clinton's national service program. It is one of two such programs based in Los Angeles

this summer.

As part of the 9½-week project, the young adults, ages 18 to 25, will tutor schoolchildren, help health care professionals immunize children, plant gardens at elementary schools and lead crime prevention seminars. They will be paid \$4.25 per hour for community service work and be awarded a \$1,000 stipend toward college at the end of their service.

Launched last week at USC, the participants got to wet their feet with a two-day orientation. The participants then were sent into the neighborhoods surrounding USC on an observation walk. Their assignment: Identify and take mental notes of things that the community's residents might want to change and look for resources that could be salvaged and utilized. And most important, keep to the map provided by the organizers to make sure that none of them get lost.

Along with USC and Cal State Los Angeles, three other universities and colleges, 29 community organizations and more than 20 secondary and elementary schools are involved in the project this summer.

Building Up was one of 16 community service projects selected from the 430 proposals submitted in March by agencies and colleges nationwide in response to the Clinton Administration's call for national service suggestions.

"By the time they're through, they will have reached 20,000 kids," said Richard Cone, director of USC's Joint Educational Project, which is coordinating the university's participation.

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SERVICE: Jobs That Aid Others

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Participants will work a 40-hour week and receive the scholarship at the end of their tenure, Cone said.

They will spend eight hours a week in a leadership training program and the other 32 doing community work.

"I had a choice between coming here and going to summer school," Jacobo said. "But the more I read about [Building Up], the more interested I got."

Under the guidance of 20-year-old Grace Ramirez, the team's leader for the observation walk, Jacobo, Marisela Limon, 18, and Isaac Avila, 20, set off on the two-mile trek armed with a Manila envelope full of instructions and a pragmatic outlook on the summer.

"My dad's unemployed right now and my mom doesn't work and I needed money for college," said Limon, who plans to attend East Los Angeles College in the fall.

But it is not just a summer job, Quest said. For a majority of the young people involved in the project, there is the desire to take the city's problems into their own hands.

"If we all get together, we can see the problem [and try to] fix it, because putting out more cops and putting more people in jail ain't going to do it," Quest said.

For Cone, Building Up is more than just a way for students to earn much-needed college funds. It is an "attempt to break down the Balkanization of Los Angeles," a way to help many of these young people and the organizations involved get acquainted with people and parts of the city they have never seen.

"We share the same problems, so we should try to use our resources to work together," Cone said.

Stopping at the front entrance to Menlo Avenue Elementary for their lunch break, the group was joined by Anna Ouroumian, 22, a UCLA senior majoring in economics.

Unable to participate in the walk because of an astronomy final, Ouroumian raced over as soon as she finished, eager to be involved.

"I have never been in this neighborhood," Ouroumian said. "I want to help because I believe there's so much potential," she said. "All of



MICHAEL EDWARDS / Los Angeles Times

Motivational speaker Terry Timman, center, leads community service participants in a pep rally before they begin their assignments.

us come from different backgrounds."

After the two-day orientation, participants in all 16 of the country's Summer of Service programs—a total of 1,500 young people—were flown to San Francisco for a five-day "boot camp" experience at the Treasure Island Naval Base. On Monday, Vice President Al Gore addressed the participants, likening the summer service programs to the Peace Corp and other public service programs.

Other projects receiving grants are in Atlanta, Baltimore, Oakland/East Bay, New Orleans, Newark, N.J., New York City, Philadelphia, Delaware, Ohio and Minnesota.

The other local program, "It's About Health," is being run prima-

rily by the UCLA School of Nursing. Fifty minority high school and college students have been recruited to conduct medical assessments of at least 1,000 at-risk children at clinics and residences. The information they gather will help the university understand what barriers prevent these children from getting quality health care.

"Only four of the programs are west of the Mississippi," said Cone, who pointed out that the East Coast bias in the selection of the summer service projects might reflect an attitude that "L.A. can't work."

"That's the kind of feedback we get from our colleagues back east," Cone said. "And sometimes we think it can't, but that's the challenge we must face."

Summer of Service Starts in Bay Area



PHOTOS BY BRAA

Young people from Harlem shouted hellos to 1,500 participants at a rally marking the start of a week of teaching and

Clinton's corps in training at Treasure Island

By William Carlsen
Chronicle Staff Writer

It looked like a scene out of the 1960s. There were banners, rhythmic cheers and chants, youthful enthusiasm and untested idealism.

But instead of marching against war or disrupting a military base, this crowd of post-Cold War, college-age men and women came together to help the children in their own communities and were using Treasure Island Naval Base to do it.

Nearly 1,500 young people from across the nation assembled at the naval base yesterday to launch President Clinton's "Summer of Service" program, the prototype of an ambitious national youth service corps that Clinton hopes will swell to 150,000 participants by 1997.

"I was with President Clinton just four months ago at Rutgers University," said Catherine Milton, executive director of the Commission on National and Community Service, at the opening ceremony on Treasure Island's parade ground yesterday.

"This was just an idea that was thrown out then. It was a dream."

"You are pioneers today," she told those gathered. "You are hour by hour designing it and putting it together. You are here

For the next week, the young people, ages 17 to 25, will take part in training that will prepare them for eight weeks of work during the summer in their own communities.

When they finish, they will begin tutoring children, helping with immunization drives, teaching sex education, painting schools, testing for lead poisoning and providing a range of other services aimed at benefiting the poorest children in society.

In return for their participation, the young people will earn the minimum wage, \$4.25 an hour, and a \$1,000 stipend to apply toward their educations.

'I made my way out of the slums . . . I want to give something back to my community, to help others make it out'

— COLLEGE JUNIOR EFRAIN BERRIOS

They arrived all day Saturday from Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, California, New York, Ohio and Minnesota. The group from the Bay Area, which will work under the supervision of the East Bay Conservation Corps this summer, made up the largest contingent, with 250 participants.

They were welcomed at yesterday's rally by Rear Admiral Merrill Ruck, commander of the naval base, who praised them for their dedication to community service. Vice President Al Gore is scheduled to speak today.

Reflecting the nation's largest urban centers, the majority of the participants are black, Latino and Asian. Fifty are members from the Ojibway (Chippewa) Tribe in Northern Minnesota, who will help clean a river and teach tribal history and health care.

The Summer of Service program is billed as a week of "boot camp-style" training. The participants will occupy a row of barracks left empty as the Navy gradually pulls out of Treasure Island, and they ate their first meals yesterday in one of the base's main mess halls.

"There wasn't any hot water in the shower," said Julie Sadgursky, a 20-year-old sociology major at the University of California at Berkeley, who joined the program to work with Oakland and Berkeley teenagers. "You deal with it," she shrugged. "This is going to be the experience of my life, and I'll treasure it

forever."

The chilly morning air did little to dampen the seemingly irrepressible enthusiasm of the participants, who danced, sang and wildly cheered each speaker during the opening ceremony.

"Our nation is in need," said Pia Infante, one of the program participants, in a speech to the crowd. "Twenty-one percent of the children in the country are growing up in poverty. We're not a third-world country but a first-world country. It's pitiful."

"The rebuilding of our nation is not in the hands of President Clinton," she said, "or in the hands of the Congress, or in the hands of our parents. . . . It's in our hands."

Efrain Berrios, a 19-year-old junior from Montclair State University in New Jersey, said he grew up in the poorest neighborhoods of Newark. "I made my way out of the slums," he said. "I'm here because I want to give something back to my community, to help others make it out too."

Trabian Shorters, 23, a group leader from Detroit who will provide training, called the young people the "cream of the crop" in the nation.

"You can never underestimate the young people in this country," he said.

Nation/world

Youths vow war on 'me' generation

By Jane Meredith Adams
Special to the Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO—Determinedly distancing themselves from more than a decade of suburban self-indulgence and inner-city apathy, 1,475 cheering young people from around the country on Sunday launched President Clinton's Summer of Service program at an outdoor rally, vowing to help rebuild their communities and the nation.

"We're fired up! We can't take it anymore!" chanted participants from the Harlem Freedom Schools Project in New York, joining in the opening day's ceremony at Treasure Island Naval Base, where hundreds between the ages of 17 and 25 have come to learn how to give as well as get.

"You better be fired up," retorted Warren Furutani, a Los Angeles community activist. "It won't be easy."

Participants have come from the inner cities and suburbs of such places as New York, Los Angeles and Philadelphia. Small towns such as Stonham, Mass., also are represented, along with an Indian reservation in Red Lake, Minn.

"This is the start of something really incredible in the country," said Manju Chatami, 22, of College Park, Md.

Summer of Service is a trial run of the president's national service initiative, which cleared two key committees in the House and Senate last week. The national service program hasn't yet been funded, but like Summer of Service, it doesn't start new projects; it is designed to channel workers into existing projects in their own communities.

"We're trying to change the

whole culture from the 'me generation' to the 'we generation,'" said Walker Dearth, 21, of Sacramento.

After a week of training on Treasure Island, participants will return to work in their communities for eight weeks in exchange for minimum wage and a \$1,000 education voucher.

"I've been doing this [community service] a long time," said Jason Scott, a group leader at Summer of Service and a staffer of Public Allies, a multicultural leadership training organization in Chicago. "I've never seen this much energy and excitement and dancing and singing and joy."

Critics of the president's proposed national service initiative have balked at its projected \$379 million cost for the first year in which 15,000 people of all ages would participate and receive up to \$5,000 a year in education vouchers for their service work. By the fourth year, as many as 150,000 people would be enrolled in the program, at a cost of \$3.4 billion, according to critics. All who participate also would receive minimum wage, health benefits and child-care service.

Summer of Service will cost nearly \$9 million from funds already appropriated by Congress. Its participants will return to 11 cities and towns around the country designated for community projects such as tutoring and rehabilitating playgrounds. Programs from Chicago didn't make the cut, but Scott said he came anyhow, to be a part of the ripple effect.

"If this works, we'll be able to replicate this all over the country," he said. "We really have a



Students from Atlanta show their enthusiasm Sunday during the first day of training in San Francisco for the Summer of Service Program. AP Photo

stake in making it successful and bringing it back to Chicago."

As this first group of service corps members rallied on a military field on an island in San Francisco Bay, many were coping with the double shock of being away from home and discovering that summer in San Francisco means a blanket of fog.

"It's cold," said India Berry, 22, of Boston, who flew on an airplane for the first time to come to the training. She joined Sum-

mer of Service because City Year, Boston's youth service corps, had turned her brother's life around.

"I see him doing something positive, I see him making a difference," she said. "That's what I want to do—something to help our community."

While the spirit of the Peace Corps and 1960s idealism was invoked, this gathering had many 1990s touches. The crowd was ethnically diverse and some gave their pep rally cheers in Spanish

and English. All the participants wore white Gap sweatshirts with the Summer of Service sunrise logo—an emblem of the private-public partnerships the program seeks to form. And when Rear Adm. Merrill Ruck in dress whites was introduced as the host, he received boisterous applause.

Buoying the crowd's energy were the amplified strains of the Santana song "Oyo Como Va," which turned the groups from 11 cities and regions around the

country into one swaying mass.

"When you do human service you really feel like you were placed here on Earth to help people out. So many people wake up everyday and don't know what they get up in the morning," said Fiona Fletcher, 23, of Oakland, Calif., a group leader in the Summer of Service training. She added:

"It's amazing when you give to people what you get out of it: a sense of worth and purpose."



Associated Press

Trainees for Youth Service Corps Start With a 'Boot Camp'

Nearly 1,500 young people enrolled in a program to help tutor children in some of the country's poorest regions during the summer began a weeklong training session yesterday at the Treasure Island Naval

Base in San Francisco. In return, the youths, who range from 17 to 25, will earn the minimum wage of \$4.25 an hour and a \$1,000 stipend to be applied to their education. They will work for eight weeks.

The Atlanta Constitution
Tuesday, June 22
Front page in color

Youths begin training for national service

ASSOCIATED PRESS

San Francisco — About 1,500 young men and women are going through boot camp-style training this week for President Clinton's eight-week "Summer of Service" program, which the president hopes eventually will expand into a year-round national community service program with 100 times as many participants.

"Summer of Service" offers \$4.25 an hour and \$1,000 for school to those who will help poor children across the country.

Robert Teilhet said he'll be happy to be paid. "Volunteer work — you just can't afford to do it," said Mr. Teilhet, 19, a University of Georgia student who will help set up preschool programs for underprivileged children in Atlanta. "I like doing this, but I'm not made of money."

The group, from nine states, gathered at Treasure Island Naval Base on San Francisco Bay and spent Monday morning playing games designed to teach teamwork and leadership skills.

The fledgling session is the prototype for Mr. Clinton's \$7.4 billion community service proposal, which is awaiting congressional approval. He hopes to have 25,000 people ages 17 to 25 involved in community service year-round by 1994 and as many as 150,000 by 1997.

Mr. Clinton sent Vice President Al Gore to greet the trainees Monday.



Associated Press

"Summer of Service" participants warm up Monday at a San Francisco Navy base.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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March 3, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR MARCIA HALE
BERNIE NUSSBAUM
JOHN PODESTA
GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS
MAGGIE WILLIAMS ✓

FROM: ELI J. SEGAL

SUBJECT: VOLUNTEER ACTION WEEK

Historically, the third week in April is Volunteer Week, designated as such by a presidential proclamation. During that week the Points of Light Foundation (for whose authorization the President has agreed), ACTION, and the Office of National Service sponsor the "President's Volunteer Action Awards" culminating in a White House ceremony where 20 awards are presented. This year, the week is April 18-24.

John Podesta shares my feeling that the tradition of "Volunteer Week" should continue and that a proclamation reflecting our view of service should be issued. Should anybody disagree, please let me know as soon as possible.

Assuming we are going forward, here is what we need to achieve:

<u>TASK</u>	<u>OFFICE RESPONSIBLE</u>
a) Proclamation/related paper	National Service
b) Selection of judges	National Service
c) Background checks on awardees	General Counsel
d) Presentation of awards at ceremony, ideally 4/22 or 23	Scheduling

While I know this is no one's highest priority, I would appreciate all of your support on Thursday and Friday, so we can close on this in a timely manner.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

4/29 9:00 A.M.

DATE: 4-28 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 4-29 9 a.m.

NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST ACT --

SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO THE CONGRESS AND FACT SHEET

	ACTION	FYI		ACTION	FYI
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REMARKS:

This is the draft transmittal letter for the National Service / College Loan legislation plus a fact sheet on the

RESPONSE:

National Service piece.

JOHN D. PODESTA
Assistant to the President
and Staff Secretary
Ext. 2702

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

I am pleased to transmit today for your immediate consideration and enactment the National Service Trust Act of 1993. The Act represents innovative public policy founded on traditional American values: offering educational opportunity, rewarding personal responsibility, and building the American community. In affirming these values, the Act rejects wasteful bureaucracy -- instead reinventing government to unleash the ideas, the enthusiasm, and the initiative of the American people.

Throughout the presidential campaign last year, Americans of all backgrounds and political persuasions responded to the National Service Trust like few other ideas. The reasons are clear. Higher education is fundamental to the American Dream, but complex procedures and inflexible repayment plans have created serious problems for many students with education loans to pay back. It is a basic American principle that individuals ought to pay back what they borrow, but today too many students default -- leaving taxpayers to foot the bill. And finally, Americans today are yearning to reaffirm an American community that transcends race, region or religion -- and to tackle the problems that threaten our shared future.

The National Service Trust Act is designed to meet these basic American needs. The Act has two parts. The first establishes a domestic Peace Corps, offering hundreds of thousands of young people the opportunity to pay for school by doing work our country needs. The second part of the Act overhauls the student loan system, saving taxpayers billions of dollars; offering students lower interest rates, greater choice and fewer burdens in paying loans off; and making it tougher to default.

The Act establishes a definition of national service that is clear but broad. National service is work that addresses unmet educational, environmental, human or public safety needs. It enhances the experience of those who serve, instilling an ethic of civic responsibility that is essential to our democracy. And national service does not displace or duplicate the functions of existing workers.

Building on the National and Community Service Act of 1990 and the flourishing national service programs of nonprofit organizations and states, the initiative rejects a federal bureaucracy in favor of locally driven programs. And in the spirit of reinventing government, the Act will empower those with the greatest expertise, interests and incentives to succeed in their work.

The legislation establishes broad categories of eligibility and requirements for the use of educational awards; but it lets citizens of all backgrounds serve and use their awards where they see fit. While many participants will be recent college graduates, Americans will be eligible to enter the program at any time in their adult lives. Both full-time and part-time service

will be encouraged, and participants will be able to serve for one or two terms of service.

Whatever their education level, those who complete a term of service will receive an award of \$6,500, roughly the average indebtedness of a college graduate. The award will be payable toward past or present educational expenses in four- and two-year colleges, training programs, graduate and professional schools.

The Act establishes tough guidelines for excellence in programming, and requires programs to develop measurable performance goals and allow independent evaluations to test their success. But within these limits, the Act enables the people who will run programs to design them. The smallest community-based organizations and the largest federal agencies will be able to compete for funding. They will be encouraged to develop a variety of model programs, ranging from youth corps that enable at-risk youth to meet community needs, to pre-professional programs that give college students ROTC-like training and then placements in specific problem areas, to diverse community corps that involve Americans of all backgrounds in meeting common goals. The Act ensures that as time passes, the programs that work best receive most assistance -- and that there is venture capital for altogether new models as well.

With the economic market as model, there is competition at every level of the system: programs compete for state approval, states compete for federal approval, and programs at the national level compete against each other and states for federal approval. To build public/private partnerships that earn support far beyond government, the Act requires programs to make a cash match and to seek support from beyond government as time passes.

In organizational structure, the Act aims to reduce waste and promote an entrepreneurial government culture. At the federal level, the Act establishes a new government Corporation for National Service that combines two existing independent agencies, the Commission on National and Community Service and ACTION. With a small, bipartisan Board sharing power with a Chairperson, the Corporation will operate as much like a lean nonprofit corporation as a government agency. Pay-for-performance and a 5-year limit on most tenures, separate investment and operating divisions, and the ability to solicit private contributions will all help build a commitment to quality.

The state level will mirror the federal level and build a strong partnership between the two. State commissions on national service, appointed by governors, will be responsible for selecting programs to be funded by states. Like the Corporation Board, the commissions will be composed of bipartisan, non-government officials. A representative of the Corporation will sit on state commissions to develop common policies and stop conflicts before they happen.

In its efforts to build community, the Act encourages all Americans to join together and serve our country -- at all ages

and in all forms. The Act enhances the Serve-America program for school-age youth, extends and improves the VISTA and Older Americans Volunteer Programs authorized under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act, and pulls all federal support for service under the new umbrella, the Corporation for National Service. Through these efforts, the Act will help instill an ethic of community service in all elementary and secondary school students, encourage them to serve in their college years, and give them further opportunities later in their careers.

This legislation also takes an important first step toward comprehensive reform of the financial aid system. It will save money, make loan repayment more affordable, and hold students more accountable. The measures are not intended in any way to replace the Pell Grant program, which will remain the cornerstone of financial aid for millions of students.

The Act will replace the current Federal Family Education Loan program with the Federal Direct Student Loan Program. By eliminating subsidies to private lenders and making loans directly to students, direct lending will save taxpayers more than \$4 billion and still allow interest rates to drop for student borrowers. The reform will simplify the system for many borrowers, enabling most students to receive all their financial aid through "one-stop shopping" at their institutions' financial aid office.

The lending reform will expand choice and reduce burdens for all borrowers by offering a variety of repayment plans -- including fixed, graduated, and income-contingent schedules. In the same way that multiple financing options help homeowners, these plans will offer real choice to all and lower monthly payments to those who want them. Income-contingent repayment will also encourage service by students who do not participate in the domestic Peace Corps portion of the Act. Without huge monthly payments, more students will be able to take jobs that pay less but do more for their communities, without ruining their finances. And whatever they plan, students will be able to change their repayment schedule as well.

The Act will also reduce default rates. Electing income-contingent repayment schedules, students with lower incomes will be able to repay their loans on a manageable plan, as a small percentage of their income over time. Through cooperation with the IRS, the Act will improve collection and monitoring of student loans. And for those who are able to pay but do not, the Act will give the Secretary of Education authority to require payment with IRS participation.

Opportunity, responsibility and community go beyond politics. They are basic American ideals. Enactment of this legislation would express the nation's commitment to them and to our shared future. I urge the Congress to give the Act a prompt and favorable consideration.

THE WHITE HOUSE.

NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST ACT OF 1993

Today, the President announced that he has transmitted to Congress the National Service Trust Act of 1993. The Act represents innovative public policy founded on traditional American values: offering educational opportunity, demanding personal responsibility, and building the American community. In affirming these values, the Act also rejects big bureaucracy -- reinventing government to unleash the ideas and the initiative of the American people.

The President's initiative will:

- Build the American community through a new domestic Peace Corps that brings Americans together to tackle pressing national problems.
- Offer educational opportunity by providing educational awards to hundreds of thousands of students who serve our country; and overhauling and simplifying the student loan system -- saving taxpayers billions of dollars, lowering interest rates, and expanding repayment options.
- Demand personal responsibility by requiring Americans who borrow to repay their loans in one of two ways -- either through service or through repayment plans that make it tougher to default.
- Reinvent government by streamlining federal bureaucracies, relying on locally driven initiatives, and creating flexibility for students and competition among programs.

The Act has two basic parts, the national service initiative and the reform of the student loan system.

NATIONAL SERVICE INITIATIVE

The centerpiece of the Act will establish a Corporation for National Service that will offer Americans who do vital work in the national service program an a \$6,500 educational award in return -- roughly the average indebtedness of a graduate of a four-year, public institution. In addition, the Act includes a variety of provisions to promote service by all Americans and in all forms.

Definition of National Service

- Meets unmet educational, environmental, human, or public safety needs.
- Improves the life of the participant, through citizenship education and training.
- Does not displace or duplicate the functions of existing workers.

Organizations

- To reduce waste and promote an entrepreneurial government culture, a new government Corporation for National Service will be established, combining the Commission on National and Community Service and ACTION.
- A small bipartisan Board will share power with a chairperson.
- Flexible and quality-driven personnel policies will include pay-for-performance and a 5-year limit on most tenures.
- The corporation will be responsible for administering all programs authorized under the National and Community Service Act and Domestic Volunteer Service Act, including VISTA and the Older American Volunteer Programs. It will fund training and technical assistance, service clearinghouses and other activities.
- At the state level, Commissions on national service will be established to mirror the federal corporation and cooperate with it.
- Like the Corporation Board, Commissions will be composed of bipartisan, non-government officials.
- To ensure a genuine federal/state partnership, a representative of the Corporation will sit on the state Commissions.
- All programs will have to compete for support; none will be guaranteed funding. Programs will compete for state approval, state applications will compete for federal approval, and programs at the national level will compete against each other and states for federal approval.

Programs

- National quality criteria for programming will be developed for every type of program in conjunction with experts in the field.
- Performance goals and independent evaluations will be required in every program.
- To encourage public/private partnership, programs must provide a cash match on stipends and additional match on other support, and demonstrate their efforts in finding private funding.
- Entities ranging from small community organizations to federal agencies will be eligible to operate programs.
- A broad array of possible programs will be eligible for funding: from youth corps for at-risk youth, to specialized service programs for college graduates, to diverse community

corps for Americans of all backgrounds. Many other models are possible, and venture capital will be available for new efforts.

Participants

- To encourage wide and diverse participation, individuals aged 17 and over may serve before, during, or after post-secondary education.
- To target program participation to participant interests and community needs, participants will be recruited and selected by local programs designated by states or the federal government.
- A national or state recruitment system will help interested individuals locate placements in local programs. Information about available positions will be widely disseminated through high schools, colleges and other placement offices.
- To earn an educational award, a participant must complete at least one year of full-time or two years of part-time service in a program designated by a state or the federal government. An individual may serve up to two terms and earn up to two educational awards.
- Educational awards worth \$6,500 will be provided for each term of service. Awards may be used for past, present or future expenses, including two- and four-year colleges, training programs, and graduate or professional programs.
- Programs will set stipends within a limited range based at minimum wage. Health and child care will be provided to those who need them.

Encouraging Service by All

- The Act enhances the Serve-America program for school-age youth.
- The Act extends and improves the VISTA and Older Americans Volunteer Programs.
- * The Act reauthorizes support for the Points of Light Foundation to continue its nationwide outreach to further volunteerism.
- By removing the obstacle of fixed high monthly payments, new flexible repayment options in the student loan reform will enable Americans who borrow for school to take jobs that pay less but do more for the community.

February 16, 1993

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NATIONAL SERVICE MEETING

LOCATION: Indian Treaty Room
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
FROM: Kim Tilley

I. PURPOSE

Eli Segal and his staff set up this meeting with leaders of the service community in order to brief them on budget numbers, inform them of the status and progress of the program, and listen to their concerns and questions.

Your participation in the meeting is unexpected and quite welcome. The service community will view your presence as a bonus so the National Service staff hope you will be willing to do a photo-op with the meeting participants.

II. BACKGROUND

According to Eli's staff, the service community representatives feel that they have a huge stake in the success or failure of this program. Although many have submitted memos or made calls, only a few have been consulted regularly. Those who feel unheard may see this gathering as a chance to get their "two cents in."

III. PARTICIPANTS

o The group represents a wide range of service leaders, organizers, and participants--from local corps members to directors of national associations. Youth, education, and general service communities are all represented here. (See attached list)

o National Service staff (NOTE: Almost everyone on the staff worked on the campaign, many of them in Little Rock.)

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed press, one WH photographer.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS (tentative)

(NOTE: If you are unable to stay the length of the meeting, let ES know and he'll interrupt the meeting in order for the photo opportunity to take place pending your approval.)

- o ES - Introductory remarks then introduces HRC.
- o HRC remarks - Outlines the President's overall vision and economic package with respect to national service. (Talking points prepared by the National Service staff are attached. Since several young people will be present, a request was made that you mention the importance of their role in the election and the importance of their participation in creating this program.)
- o ES - Outlines the program, the numbers and introduces National Service staff.
- o Gloria Johnson(National Service staff)/ES - Q&A

VI. REMARKS

Attached.

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Community Service Briefing
Wednesday February 17, 1993
1:00 Indian Treaty Room 474 OEOB

ORGANIZATION	NAMES	DOB	SS#
Points of Light	Bob Goodman Chuck Supple		(b)(6)
Action	John Seal Tom Endres Diana Louder	(b)(6)	
Commision on National and Community Service	Catherine Milton Dick Staufenberger Melinda Hudson		(b)(6)
Youth Services America	Roger Landrum Frank Slobig	(b)(6)	
PennServe	John Briscoe	(b)(6)	
AAHE	Russ Edgerton	(b)(6)	
NASCC	Kathleen Selz Lisa Woll	(b)(6)	
USSA	Stacy Leyton Pronita Gupta	(b)(6)	
AARP	Mark Johnson	(b)(6)	
Public Allies	Vanessa Kirsch	(b)(6)	
Close Up	Frank Dirks		
YMCA	Doris Surratt		
United States Catholic Conference	George Canan		
Alliance for Justice	Nan Aron		(b)(6)
Child Welfare Leage	Mary Bourdette		
National Assoc. of Foster Grandparent Program Directors	Fran Butler		

National Council on Aging Victoria Wagman

(b)(6)

Pennsylvania Campus Compact Dianna Bucco

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Generations United Tess Scannell

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Independent Sector Robert Smucker

AYPF Samuel Halperin

Student Conservation Assoc. Thomas Jarvis

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Natl. Crime Prevention Council Jack Calhoun

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White House Shirley Sagawa
Bill Galston
Doris Matsui

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NTL Womens Law Ctr. Ellen Vargyas

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Ntl. Assoc of Partners in Education Jane Ann Asche

Higher Educaiton Richard Rosser

NASULGC Marsha Adler

United Way Elaine Chao

(b)(6)

Childrens Defense Fund Cliff Johnson

VISTA Mimi Mager

(b)(6)

Robert Gordon
Peter Edelman

TALKING POINTS FOR HRC:

* Service is a top priority. The national service initiative is one of the President's and my top priorities. Whatever the deficit gets to be and whatever people say, we are going to make this happen.

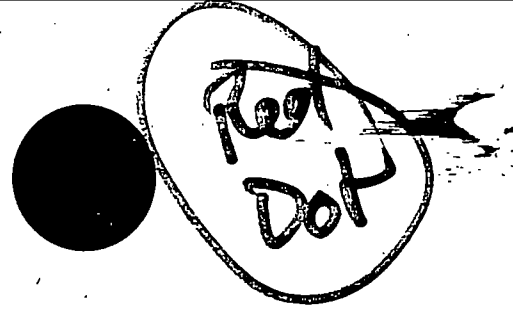
* Service is so important, especially for health care. We're doing it because we know that America needs service. Not as another fancy social program, but to teach our children. To clean up our environment. To make our streets safe. And to improve health care for our young people. I know from all the work I'm doing what a difference national service can make in providing health care. (Examples: outreach, staffing clinics after hours.) And we want to make the benefits of service available to many, many more Americans.

* National service builds on existing models. We know that we are not creating a program out of nothing. I know all the wonderful work that you all are already doing -- and we are going to build on it. (anecdotes would help) You can be sure that this is a program that puts people first, not the Washington bureaucrats.

* Join us and make it work. Let me close by saying: we are all in this together. We want -- we need -- your input and your support. As the details of this program are worked out, I hope that all of you will join us in making service the ethic of the American people, and in transforming the country. (pitch for economic plan, maybe) It can't happen without you.

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George:



Alan Khazei with City Year is asking for your help in getting the First Lady to speak at the CYZGY Town Meeting on June 15th. Is there anything you would like to do to help?

-PHU

To: Maggie
Melanne

Fr: George S.

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May 31, 1995

Dear George-

Hope you're well. We got the word that the President can't come to 172467 because of the G-7 summit. We'd love to have Mrs. Clinton there and think that this is an ideal opportunity to promote the success of AmeriCorps. Any help you can give on this would be greatly appreciated! Best of luck with everything!

Yours,
Alan



May 23, 1995

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
First Lady
The White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

Together, young people and AmeriCorps are doing amazing work everyday in Roxbury and neighborhoods and communities across America. This June, over 1200 young people, school children, parents, civic leaders, private sector friends, and members of the arts community, will gather for CYZYG, City Year's first ever, national conference. The purpose of CYZYG is to shine a bright light on AmeriCorps and national service at this critical time—demonstrating the incredible power of young people in service. We would be deeply honored if you would join us for CYZYG, to speak at the televised CYZYG Town Meeting on a featured panel, the evening of June 15th in Columbus, Ohio.

Your have provided such incredible leadership on protecting the welfare of children. City Year shares your commitment to nurture and invest in our nation's children. In this year alone, 600 City Year corps members in six cities across the nation are teaching and mentoring 10,000 school age children.

Together, AmeriCorps and City Year are getting things done in Boston, MA, Chicago, IL, Columbia, SC, Columbus, OH, Providence, RI and San Jose, CA. AmeriCorps' support for City Year has leveraged more than 60 leading corporations to make major investments in City Year including BancOne, Digital Equipment Corporation, Hewlett Packard, The Limited, McDonald's, Reebok, the San Jose Sharks, and The Timberland Company. City Year is committed to matching every federal dollar with a private sector dollar — demonstrating that AmeriCorps is truly re-inventing government at its best.

In an effort to capture the magic of national service and AmeriCorps, and to communicate this vision to the nation, CYZYG will take place this June 14-17. Actress Gabrielle Carteris of Beverly Hills 90210; Maria Ferrier, former U.S. Assistant Secretary of Bilingual Education; Mayor Greg Lashutka of Columbus; Mitt Romney, CEO of Bain Capital; Eli Segal, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service; Jeffrey Swartz, COO of Timberland, actor Blair Underwood of L.A. Law and Just Cause; and former Senator Harris Wofford of Pennsylvania, have confirmed their participation.

In the founding year of national service, AmeriCorps, and the City Year national program, it would be an incredible honor to have you speak at the CYZYG Town Meeting, June 15th. Your commitment to young people, your words and your presence would mean so much to so many young people, parents and community members from across the nation.

If you are unable to speak at the Town Meeting, your participation might include:

- Kicking-off the 1200 person CYZYG Day of Service the morning of June 15
- Serving as a featured speaker the day of June 16

We will follow up with a member of your staff to discuss the possibilities and can be reached at 617-350-0722. We hope to see you in June!

Warm regards,



Michael Brown
Co-Director



Alan Khazei
Co-Director

cc:

Ell Segal, CEO Corporation for National and Community Service
George Stephanopoulos, Senior Advisor to the President for National Policy
and Planning

DAVID NYHAN

They're trying to sell volunteerism up the river



THE PEOPLE WHO run City Year, the 600-strong youth volunteer outfit upon which much of the new AmeriCorps has been patterned, are throwing a national volunteerism party in Columbus, Ohio, June 14-17, in hopes of dampening cynicism about

youth, national service, whatever.

Good luck. They will need it. Cynicism is all the rage these days, and few things enrage the Republicans running Congress more than an example of a Clinton initiative that is idealistic, efficient and desperately needed.

Congress wants to kill what may be President Clinton's single best idea. So barely one year after it got up and running, AmeriCorps is fighting for its bureaucratic life, along with welfare mothers, poor children, sick old people, healthy young people paying college tuitions and all the other left-outs who never got to climb onto the GOP bandwagon.

The same crowd that issued go-to-the-head-of-the-line tickets to lobbyists for corporate polluters wants to knife the nascent national service movement that is putting young Americans on the front lines against urban decay.

Not every conservative Republican has given up on the young. Mitt Romney tried to lick Teddy Kennedy last year and fell short. But the CEO of Bain Capital Co., a capitalist's capitalist and fervent worshiper at the altar of free markets, will be in Columbus next month because he's been a backer of City Year from the word go.

Mike Brown, City Year's co-founder, has a zealot's faith that if enough skeptics just see this thing in action they'll be won over. So he's assembling 1,200 volunteers in Columbus to rebuild some parks, spruce up the town and rope in some business and political leaders. "Politicians will follow the lead of the citizens of this country," Brown insists.

If he's right, City Year and AmeriCorps have no problem. Because polls by the bushel attest to the country's persistent and durable belief in volunteerism, and the concept of kids giving back something to the country and getting something altruistic in return. I sat with a half-dozen City Year people, culled from the corps that now troops the streets and playgrounds and tot lots of Chicago, Providence, San Jose, San Antonio, Columbia, S.C., and Columbus.

Karuna Russell of Chicago — "the far, far South Side" — joined City Year for the networking. She wanted to meet "the pillars of the community" and she's meeting them. Take it from me: This young lady is a future pillar for some community smart enough to take her on.

Kanna Kunchala came to Harvard from Albany, N.Y., and thought of going to medical school. But after 12 months of City Year, he's chilling on medicine and thinking about how he can help turn this coun-

Congress wants to kill what may be President Clinton's single best idea. So barely one year after it got up and running, AmeriCorps is fighting for its life.

try around.

Stephanie Wu started with City Year's first corps of 50 summer volunteers seven years ago. All the critics have to do, she says quietly, is come out "and hear the people's stories." Because Stephanie has been working with the cream of America's youth crop these past seven years, she has failed to succumb to the prevailing cynicism. Some people just never get the word.

Jenny Azzara is a Boston College graduate from New Jersey who was surprised at the barrage of criticism directed at national service from the victorious Republican politicians who took over Congress this year. Then she got an explanation from a friend who works for the GOP congressman back home in New Jersey: "He told me, Jenny, we love what you do; we just don't think you should be paid for it."

If pay is the problem, why do you never hear complaints about the pay level of all the prison guards, prison cooks, prison electricians, prison landscapers who go on the payroll staffing all these new prisons that are springing up to house the 1.4 million Americans behind bars today?

Outfits like City Year that broke experimental new ground for the concept of national service tried all sorts of ideas about pay. What Clinton's AmeriCorps pays its 20,000 first-wave volunteers is a minimum-wage living allowance — about \$7,500 a year, plus a one-shot, \$4,725 education grant that can either be used for college tuition or to pay off a student loan.

Where else, Kunchala asks, can people see a vibrant tableau of "young adults of all different races working together" and having fun? A Harvard graduate, bright as hell, making the minimum wage — and he's not beefing! "There's a kid in my group, he's 23, African-American, used to be a gang member. He's getting his education

Randy Carter's chores include whipping up 265 hot meals every workday for a kitchen that feeds AIDS patients. That's gimmickry?

now — he's in the fifth-grade level. And he's doing well; he's a much better person than he used to be. I just don't know if Eric could do this if he didn't get the \$125 a week."

Is it really the \$125 a week? Or do the Gingrichians really want to throttle AmeriCorps in the cradle because it was a Clinton initiative? The party line from Chairman Newt of the Newtniks is that national service is "gimmickry." This, from the man who turned the Contract with America into Gimmick of the Year in time for the last election.

The term-limits gimmick, the tax-cut gimmick, the budget-balance gimmick were rolled up into one handy-dandy Reader's Digest-sized gimmick and flogged with gusto. I am, pronounces Newt, "totally, unequivocally opposed to national service." Which may be why he logged the same total time of military service as Bill Clinton — zero.

Randy Carter is an African-American man with a brother in the eighth grade, which can be a dangerous age in the inner city. Randy had two choices when he was his brother's age: "I could hang out with my friends, and do the bad things I was pressured into doing, or I could do the right thing." Now he does the right thing six days a week — five days on City Year projects, and Saturdays working with the Young Heroes program. His chores include whipping up 265 hot meals every workday for a kitchen that feeds AIDS patients. That's gimmickry? Give me a break, Newt.

Carter recently spent a Saturday leading a bunch of eighth graders to a Dorchester nursing home, Ashmont Manor, for a day with the old folks, serving ice cream, making flower arrangements, setting up a little generational give-and-take, persuading the kids to engage in some hilarious role-playing before they went to actually meet the oldsters. Randy Carter knows some things about kids that come right off the streets, not out of some focus group assembled by spin doctors to pitch "family values" to some well-heeled politician's voting base.

"It's much harder to grow up today," Randy explained patiently to a 54-year-old father of three who nodded assent. "Kids mature faster now. A lot of kids," he paused to find the right words, "they grow too fast." You got that right, Randy; and congresspersons, too. They get ahead of themselves and do stupid things, like croak programs that help people make this a better country. Those people have to be stopped.

Mike Brown insists Americans will like the values national service imbues in youngsters, if they only see it in action. "This thing's important. Idealism wins over cynicism. The most important thing you can do in America in the late 20th century is to stand up to cynicism." It would be great if he's right.

David Nyhan is a Globe columnist.

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May 31, 1995

To: Maggie Williams
Melanne Veever
Patti Solis

From: Susan Stroud

Re: Children's Health Forum, Tuesday, June 27

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This memo is a follow up to our discussion on May 17 to confirm the First Lady's participation in a forum on children's health and national service, to be held in Washington, D.C. on June 27. Prior to the forum, we would like the First Lady to have a breakfast with corporate funders, foundation leaders and children's health advocates. The public forum will take place during the morning from 10:00 am until 11:45 am. We hope that the First Lady will be able to conclude the event with a small lunch for the women's press from 12:00-12:45 pm.

Purpose of the forum:

The forum is an opportunity for the First Lady to review the progress of national service programs focusing on children's health, to highlight the plight of children and their health needs across the country, and to discuss the conditions of children with experts and national leaders from the corporate community, foundation world and the press.

Format of the forum:

The forum will begin at 10:00 am with a roundtable table discussion chaired by the First Lady. The First Lady will be introduced by Eli J. Segal, Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation. The First Lady will then make brief remarks on the importance of providing health services to children and the valuable role of national service in safeguarding youth where services are not readily available. She will then welcome the expert panel comprised of national leaders in the field of children's health including, Dr. C. Everett Koop (confirmed), Marian Wright Edelman and Dr. Berry Brazelton.

Expert panelists would be paired with five of the Corporation's strongest children's health programs. After each expert has made a five minute comment, s/he will be followed by a presentation by a national service program director and participant. These presentations will cover five children's health issues: nutrition, pre-natal care, injury prevention, immunizations and HIV/AIDS. Experts will share a national and academic framework, while programs will offer a local and grassroots perspective. The First Lady will comment and question presenters throughout the morning.

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(A script, talking points and a set of probing questions that the First Lady can use will be provided.) At the end of the morning, the First Lady will wrap-up the event with a challenge to communities to protect the health of its children through national service. A press briefing will follow from 12 noon -12:45 pm..

After the morning session is concluded, we would like the First Lady to have a lunch with the women's press that cover children's health issues. If you would prefer to include constituent groups with the First Lady at this lunch, the lunch can take the place of the morning briefing. The Corporation would raise the funds to underwrite this luncheon.

In the afternoon, approximately 50 Corporation grantees will meet in a closed session to review their success and identify any technical assistance needs. The session will be open to grantees only and will be an opportunity to develop an affinity group among our health grantees. This session would not involve the First Lady.

Expert panels:

The panel of experts, Dr. C. Everett Koop, Marian Wright Edelman and Dr. Berry Brazelton are suggested. We would like to limit the number of experts to three, but before inviting Marian Wright Edelman and Dr. Berry Brazelton, we would like to know from you if you have other preferences.

Audience:

We plan to invite foundation leaders, corporate sponsors, children's advocates, congressional staff, and other Corporation grantee organizations. We will work with you to develop an invitee list.

Media:

We are investigating using satellite downlinks to air the forum in communities where we have a high concentration of national service programs and media markets. We expect that this will limit the downlinks to no more than 10 communities. The satellite portion has not been confirmed and will depend on cost.

Site:

We are currently investigating local sites in Washington that have satellite capability. We are looking for sites at area universities, national non-profit organizations and hotels which can seat an audience of 300. The site will be confirmed by Friday, June 2.

Next Steps:

We look forward to hearing from you to confirm:

- ▶ the time for the roundtable, morning briefing and/or lunch,
- ▶ the suggested list of experts panelists (Dr. Brazelton and Ms. Marian Wright Edelman)

- ▶ the format for the morning session.

If you have any questions, please call me at 202-606-5000 ext. 169. We are available to meet at your convenience to discuss any aspect of the forum.

attached: Proposed schedule

MEMORANDUM

TO MAGGIE WILLIAMS, MELANE VEVEER, PATTI SOLIS
FROM SUSAN STROUD, DIANA ALDRIDGE, CECILIA CALVO
RE NATIONAL SERVICE AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH FORUM
DATE MAY 31, 1995
CC SHIRLEY SAGAWA

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The following represents a detailed scenario for the National Service Child Health Forum scheduled for June 27 featuring the First Lady:

Executive Summary:

Recommended Activities: The First Lady would make a brief appearance at a **White House breakfast/briefing** with key AmeriCorps private sector supporters; **keynote and participate in a National Service Child Health Forum**; and attend an **on-the-record press luncheon** following the forum with women's and health publications targeted for AmeriCorps update coverage.

9:15 - 9:30 a.m.

(Breakfast to take place from 9:00 am - 10:00 am)

o **The White House AmeriCorps Breakfast/Briefing:**

Involving a brief appearance by the First Lady at the Mess before AmeriCorps private sector partners (donors) appropriately involved in child health care issues and national service.

10:00 a.m. - 11:45: a.m.

o **The National Service Child Health Forum:**

Involving a keynote opening address, presentations, and a question and answer session of five 20-minute segments covering targeted National Service child health issues.

12:00 noon - 12:45 a.m.

o **An On-the-Record Luncheon Press Briefing:**

Lunch/briefing on-site with representatives from national and regional children and women's publications targeted for updates on National Service/AmeriCorps coverage.

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Recommended Timeline and Activities

Specifically:

White House Breakfast Briefing:

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Hosted by Eli Segal

- **Breakfast/Briefing** with First Lady at White House for Forum speakers, special guests, and AmeriCorps corporate partners. Such participants would include Nickelodeon, Nike, Time Warner, and American Express. First Lady would attend for brief (15 minute) welcome and context setting for forum.

National Service Child Health Forum:

10:00 a.m. - 10:05:

- Welcome and Overview by Eli Segal

10:05 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

- Opening Keynote by the First Lady

10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Five 20-minute segments featuring issue presentations and questions-and-answers facilitated by the First Lady within the National Service/AmeriCorps Child Health issue categories of:

- * **Safety/Injury Prevention**
- * **Immunization**
- * **Pre-Natal Care and Development**
- * **Hunger**
- * **HIV/AIDS**

Each segment will feature a brief opinion leader expert presentation in the targeted issue category; a National Service member (three AmeriCorps programs, one Learn and Service/K-12 program, and a Senior Corps program) anecdotal presentation; and a brief question-and-answer session facilitated by the First Lady.

Targeted expert speakers include C. Everett Koop, Marian Wright Edelman, and Berry Brazelton. Targeted AmeriCorps and other Corporation national service programs are currently being vetted for urban/rural, issue focus, Congressional focus, and quality/"getting things done" considerations.

RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES AND TIMELINE
(Minute-by-Minute)

FIRST SEGMENT: CHILD INJURY AND SAFETY PREVENTION

- 10:15 a.m. **Dr. C. Everett Koop:** Dr. Koop gives a national perspective on child safety/injury prevention issues and the potential of national service (confirmed).
- 10:20 a.m. **National Service Member:** National Service member gives local and anecdotal information and "getting things done" statistics on child safety/injury prevention.

(Including Visual Aids: video or slides on local program/community)
- 10:27 a.m. **Five minutes of question-and-answer with presenters and audience facilitated by the First Lady.**

SECOND SEGMENT: CHILD HUNGER

- 10:32 a.m. **Marian Wright Edelman:** Marian Wright Edelman speaks on national child hunger issues and the potential of national service.
- 10:37 a.m. **National Service Member:** National Service Member gives local and anecdotal information and "getting things done" statistics on child hunger issues.

(Including Visual Aids)

- 10:42 a.m. Five minutes of question-and-answer with presenters and audience facilitated by the First Lady.

THIRD SEGMENT: PRE-NATAL AND DEVELOPMENT

- 10:47 a.m. **Dr. Berry Brazelton (pediatrics specialist):** Dr. Brazelton gives a national overview on pre-natal care and early childhood development and the potential of national service.
- 10:52 a.m. **Third National Service Speaker:** Local and anecdotal information and "getting things done" statistics on pre-natal care and early childhood development.

(Including visual aids)
- 1059: a.m. Five minutes of question and answer session with presenters and audience facilitated by the First Lady.

FOURTH SEGMENT

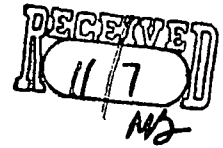
- 11:04 a.m. **Dr. C. Everett Koop:** Dr. Koop returns to give a brief national overview of immunization and the potential of national service.
- 11:09 a.m. **National Service Member:** Local and anecdotal information and "getting things done" statistics on childhood immunization.

(Including Visual Aids)
- 11:16 a.m. Five minutes of question and answer session with presenters and audience facilitated by the First Lady.

FIFTH SEGMENT: HIV/AIDS

- 11:21 a.m. **Expert Opinion Leader Presentation:**
Gives national overview of
HIV/AIDS issues and potential of
national service.
- 11:26 a.m. **National Service Member:** Gives local
and anecdotal information and "getting
things done" statistics on HIV/Aids
and children.

(Including visual aids)
- 11:33 a.m. **Five minutes question and answer
session with presenters and audience
facilitated by the First Lady.**
- 11:38 - **Wrap Up by Eli Segal**
11:45
- 12:00 **Press Luncheon with the First Lady**



MEMORANDUM

November 6, 1994

To: Eli Segal
From: Susan Stroud
Re: schedule request for HRC

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On January 12 - 13 we expect to have representatives from approximately 500 colleges and universities in Washington for a meeting that is the direct result of President Clinton's letter that was sent in September to heads of all institutions of higher education. The group planning the meeting has asked us to see if Mrs. Clinton could address the group at any point during the two days, preferably as the after dinner keynote speaker on January 12. The meeting will be held at the JW Marriott Hotel.

Background

The President's letter was coordinated with the launch of AmeriCorps, and challenged colleges and universities to significantly increase public service on their campuses through a set of activities. The challenge to higher education is envisioned as part of a series of challenges to other sets of American institutions - religious groups, schools, business, foundations, etc. To date we have received approximately 160 responses.

In September you met with the Higher Education Secretariat, representatives of the 30 higher education associations, to ask for their advice and support advancing the President's challenge. Their response was positive and their offers of help have begun to materialize. The American Association of Higher Education has taken the lead. They received a \$35,000 grant from the Ford Foundation to underwrite the cost of holding a meeting to which the university presidents' representatives would be invited to develop strategies to respond to President Clinton's challenge. Tom Ehrlich, Goodwin Liu and I have been working with AAHE to plan the meeting.

Rationale for Invitation

There are several reasons for inviting Mrs. Clinton: 1) she is an effective advocate for service, 2) she will represent the Administration's view, which in this case since the meeting is a direct response to the President, is especially

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relevant, 3) the Corporation is eager to involve Mrs. Clinton generally to a greater extent in our efforts.

Please let me know what I can do to advance this proposal. I would be happy to meet with anyone in the First Lady's office to discuss the meeting further.

cc: Shirley Sagawa
Goodwin Liu
Tom Ehrlich

Members in child development skills, theory and techniques. Members practice on their children, then train the parents who practice on their children. Members will be enrolled in early childhood education classes and, at the program's completion, will have enough credits and work experience to earn their Child Development Associate degrees and qualify for employment in a pre-school setting. HIPPY parents are trained by HIPPY volunteers to work with their children daily for fifteen minutes a day, five days a week for thirty weeks a year. Members will work one-on-one with parents to acquaint them with early child development education and techniques and practices as specified in the curriculum, introduce parents to the library and reading aloud in the home, train parents to teach their children HIPPY preschool skills and educate parents to immunize their children.

Parenting Education Project (Mental Health Association in Texas)

The Mental Health Association, 14 statewide organizations, higher education institutions, State agencies, and 27 community agencies, are partners in this AmeriCorps project. The goal is to improve long-term educational achievement of children and their parents, prevent current and future child abuse and neglect, and reduce potential involvement with the criminal justice system. AmeriCorps members are providing services to an estimated 3700 families and 5300 children ages 0-5, primarily those identified to be at risk for abuse, in 27 urban and rural sites. Members will serve with community-based host agencies such as Parents as Teachers, Healthy Families America, Arc of Austin, and Children's Trust Fund. Members are: identifying and referring children with developmental delays to appropriate agencies; providing child care for teen parents who are completing their education; tutoring parents to enhance employment potential; providing parenting education and problem-solving skill training; and instructing families about general nutrition, personal hygiene, and preventive health care.

Hands On Atlanta

Hands On Atlanta helped show America that national service works. It began with 50 corps members serving at one school as part of the Summer of Service in 1993. Today, HOA's 65 AmeriCorps members serve in teams at three local elementary schools. In the classroom, they work side by side with teachers, providing one-on-one attention to better meet children's individual needs. Outside the classroom, AmeriCorps Members run after-school enrichment programs in science, music, drama, and art and help build community by working with local organizations to sponsor community service activities. The results of the Members' work are dramatic. At all three partner schools, disciplinary action reports filed regarding children's behavior has been reduced. The principals attribute the improvement to AmeriCorps

Members, who reduce teacher-student ratios and serve as role models for the children. AmeriCorps Members have also succeeded in engaging the children beyond the classroom; at all three partners schools, nearly half of the children participate in HOA's after-school program.

SLICE Corps (Simpson County KY)

SLICE is a unique program focusing substantial resources on a low-income rural community. Twenty AmeriCorps Members are teaching reading skills to nearly half of the county's second grade students and involving their parents in school-related activities. The short term goal is clear: raise reading scores by three full grade levels in one year. In the long-term, the program is expected to improve graduation rates, increase job readiness, expand participation in higher education, and increase parental involvement. Currently, 118 children are enrolled in the project. Because of tutoring sessions and individual education plans developed and implemented by AmeriCorps Members and classroom teachers, midyear test show that 70% of the students have improved at least two grade levels to date; 65% of those have improved three or more grade levels. In addition, AmeriCorps Members have recruited 224 community volunteers through their home visits to work with the project, with the aim of taking full responsibility for the tutoring program after three years of AmeriCorps effort. (This is the program that sent Cindy Perry to Washington for the State of the Union First Lady's box)

Also peruse the attached sheet on Summerbridge National ... a tremendous national program that has not yet been discovered by the national media.

(2) Best Illinois Children's Programs

Rend Lake College

AmeriCorps Members serve as resource specialists and counselors in all 102 Illinois counties, increasing the number of child care providing by recruiting, training, and providing technical assistance to prospective and new providers. They also improve the quality of placements through consumer education.

Latino Youth

AmeriCorps Members help to break the cycle of poverty through peer counseling, gang prevention, conflict resolution training, tutoring, and training to ease racial tensions and prevent drug abuse.

(3) Illinois at a glance

This full listing might spark a match we may not have noticed this round.

AmeriCorps*Summerbridge
Kristen Steward, Program Director
(415) 749-2037

AmeriCorps*Summerbridge seeks to strengthen individuals and communities through the power of young people teaching by creating year-round communities of learning and leadership, of diversity and excellence, where middle school, high school, and college students challenge each other to raise and broaden their education. To that end, AmeriCorps*Summerbridge Members work towards four major objectives: 1) to improve the school success of middle school students with limited opportunities; 2) to prepare and encourage middle school students to enter college preparatory high school programs; 3) to strengthen the ties between students of different ages and backgrounds, their families, and schools; and 4) to develop and promote effective and inspired young educators.

In Cambridge, AmeriCorps*Summerbridge Members have witnessed an increase in student participation from 30 to 45 students, and a rise in school year program student attendance of 90%. In addition, AmeriCorps Members have helped to increase teacher-parent contacts, which is necessary in pinpointing the exact tutoring needs of students.

In Fort Worth, AmeriCorps*Summerbridge Members made a successful transition from after school classes to one-on-one tutoring at the public middle schools Summerbridge students attend. This revamped structure has allowed the program to grow from 20-25 students to 33 students and from 15 to 25 teachers/tutors. The strengthening of the after-school component of AmeriCorps*Summerbridge Fort Worth has facilitated better communication between students and teachers.

In New Orleans, AmeriCorps*Summerbridge Members are running educational assistance programs for 15 students in basic subjects such as Math, Science, English, and Social Studies. In addition, students are receiving the benefit of enrichment courses in the arts because of the successful partnerships begun between AmeriCorps*Summerbridge and community organizations such as Tulane University and Ya Ya (Young Art, Young Artists).

There are 16 AmeriCorps*Summerbridge sites currently working in the communities of La Jolla, CA; Ross, CA; Raleigh, NC; Cambridge, MA; Ft. Worth, TX; New Orleans, LA; Cincinnati, OH; Miami, FL; Pittsburgh, PA; Providence, RI; San Diego, CA; Wake County, NC; Louisville, KY; Sacramento, CA; San Francisco, CA; Lehigh Valley, PA.

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ACORN HOUSING CORPORATION
AmeriCorps Direct
117 West Harrison Street
Chicago, IL 60605

Ms. Michelle Edwards
(312) 939 7488

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AmeriCorps Members increase home ownership opportunity through their work as intake and loan counselors. They are trained to conduct community workshops and to provide pre-purchase counseling to individual clients.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS
MID-AMERICA CHAPTER**
AmeriCorps State
43 East Ohio, Suite 730
Chicago, IL 60611
Phone:

Ms. Susan Erickson
(312) 440-2080/2266

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AmeriCorps Members: 22

AmeriCorps Members help underserved communities to provide health and safety education to diverse populations. Activities include recruiting volunteers and training them to provide safety, disaster, first aid, and HIV/AIDS education.

**ASSOCIATION OF FARMWORKER
OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS**
AmeriCorps Direct
28 East Jackson Boulevard, Suite #1600
Chicago, IL 60604

Ms. Eloy Salazar
(312) 663-1522

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The AmeriCorps National Farmworker Training and Service Program helps migrant and seasonal farmworkers reduce their exposure to pesticides and access health, education, and support services. AmeriCorps Members become state-certified pesticide safety trainers and train farmworkers in pesticide safety as required by the EPA Worker Protection Standards.

BELLEVILLE AREA COLLEGE
AmeriCorps State
2500 Carlyle Road
Belleville, IL 62221

Mr. David Paeth
(618) 235-2700

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AmeriCorps Members work in a community partnership to rehabilitate housing for low-income and elderly persons, develop community gardens, organize neighborhood watches and recreational activities, and tutor at-risk youth.

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CHICAGO COMMONS ASSOCIATION

AmeriCorps State
1335 West 51st Street
Chicago, IL 60609

Ms. Josephine Robinson
(312) 376-5242

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AmeriCorps Members, serving in the South Side of Chicago, provide counseling, referral, tutoring and recreational alternatives for youth; assist low-income residents with job training and employment; and provide access to health care and housing options.

CITY OF DECATUR, ILLINOIS

AmeriCorps State
1 Gary Anderson Plaza
Decatur, IL 62523

Ms. Carol Fritz
(217) 424-2770

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AmeriCorps Members serve as youth counselors, crime analysts, domestic violence counselors, recycling specialists, family literacy trainers, and neighborhood outreach specialists in this partnership between the City and sixteen community based organizations.

CITY YEAR, INC.

AmeriCorps Direct
545 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611

Ms. Elizabeth Thompson
(312) 464 9899

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AmeriCorps Members serve in teams and work with community organizations to develop and coordinate school vacation and after-school programs, educational workshops on topics such as conflict resolution and AIDS awareness, housing renovations, and urban beautification projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL CAREERS ORGANIZATION, INC.

AmeriCorps Direct
407 South Dearborn, #1775
Chicago, IL 60605

Ms. Jill Viehweg
(312) 939-1530

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The AmeriCorps Member serves communities by researching toxic chemical substitutes; interpreting technical documents and data; performing non-regulatory facility evaluations to identify reduction opportunities; and assisting citizen groups in developing 'Good Neighbor Agreements' with local manufacturing facilities. The Member receives ongoing training on current toxics use reduction methods and technologies.

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IHAD-Chicago

1441 North Cleveland Avenue, 3rd Floor

Ms. Nancy Zachar

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AmeriCorps Members are tutors and mentors to Dreamers, and will work on service projects developed with the Dreamers. The program is personal, not institutional. Members develop close, long-term relationships with the Dreamers.

**ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

AmeriCorps State

325 West Adams, Room 300

Springfield, IL 62704-1892

Ms. Dana Curtiss

(217) 785-5409

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AmeriCorps Members protect, monitor and restore the state's rivers and streams. Activities include environmental outreach to community groups, businesses and schools; volunteer recruitment; stream clean-up; habitat evaluation; and biological monitoring.

LATINO YOUTH, INC.

AmeriCorps State

2200 South Marshall Boulevard

Chicago, IL 60623

Mr. Michael Aguilar

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AmeriCorps Members help to break the cycle of poverty through peer counseling, gang prevention, conflict resolution training, tutoring, and training to ease racial tensions and prevent drug abuse.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

AmeriCorps Direct

343 South Dearborn Street

Chicago, IL 60604

Ms. Patricia Connell

(312) 341-1070

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AmeriCorps Members address critical issues such as housing preservation, child care improvement and domestic violence prevention. Member also advance efforts to end homelessness, ensure equality in education, and protect the environment.

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NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION		2
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AmeriCorps State
The Fisher Building
343 South Dearborn, Suite 309
Chicago, IL 60604-3806

(312) 886-3212

AmeriCorps Members improve neighborhoods by bringing people together to address housing and safety issues nationwide. Members work with local staff in community outreach to increase home ownership, assist with mortgage financing, improve neighborhood appearance, and establish neighborhood watch and safety programs. Members also work in rehabilitation and construction, recruit volunteers for neighborhood enhancement, and train new home owners in property maintenance.

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AmeriCorps Direct
200 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 520
Chicago, IL 60601

Ms. Julie Alfred
(312) 435-1153

AmeriCorps Members serve in teams at community agencies in 30 neighborhoods. Activities include organizing science camps, tutoring/mentoring, coordinating neighborhood crime prevention programs, and serving as youth delinquency prevention counselors.

REND LAKE COLLEGE		22
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Route 1
Ina, IL 62846

Ms. Valerie Dawkins
(618) 437-5400

AmeriCorps Members, serving as resource specialists and counselors in all 102 Illinois counties, increase the number of child care providers by recruiting, training and providing technical assistance to prospective and new providers. They also improve the quality of placements through consumer education.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AmeriCorps Direct

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St. CC of St. Louis 601 James Thompson Boulevard East St. Louis, IL 62201	Mr. Rufus Williams (618) 583 2514	30
675 North Court, Suite 120 Palatine, IL 60067	Ms. Carzella Pritchard (708) 991-6217	20
110 East Fayette Street Pittsfield, IL 61820	Mr. William McCartney (217) 398 5267	15

The U.S. Department of Agriculture works to improve farm income and develop markets for agricultural products abroad; administers rural development and conservation programs; addresses issues of poverty, hunger and malnutrition; assists landowners in protecting soil, water, forests and other natural resources; and conducts research, inspection and grading services to safeguard and ensure standards for food quality. The Public Lands and Environment Team is one of the three AmeriCorps programs run by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The Public Lands and Environment Team runs pilot projects at 32 rural and urban sites in 21 states. A diverse group of AmeriCorps Members help solve local environmental problems, repair and upgrade community facilities, promote sustainable farming, conduct environmental education seminars, and preserve and restore national forests.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HHS - HEALTH RESOURCES & SERVICES ADMIN. AmeriCorps Direct Illinois AIEC 5200 South Ellis Avenue Chicago, IL 60615	Ms. Mary Gugenheim (312) 947-2708/427-6150	45
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AmeriCorps Members assist in providing comprehensive community-based health service. Members conduct home visits and outreach workshops to community members who do not have access to primary care providers. They also provide access to comprehensive prenatal care for pregnant women and immunize children in the community. Members are placed in teams of community health workers and health profession trainees. They receive ongoing training in outreach, and home visiting building as part of their program participation.

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UNITED WAY OF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY AmeriCorps State 404 West Church Street Champaign, IL 61820	Mr. Tim Deutch (217) 352-5151	
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This Planning grant is systematically developing solutions to homelessness. This partnership between area shelters, transitional programs, community agencies, the University of Illinois and the United Way, will focus on health care, particularly mental health and substance abuse treatment.

UPTOWN HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AmeriCorps State 4117 West Kamerling Chicago, IL 60651	Ms. Laura Leon (312) 252-8520	15
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AmeriCorps Members rehabilitate low-income housing in the West Humboldt Park neighborhood of Chicago where 33% of residents live in poverty. Some members are recent high school graduates who are developing construction skills/career goals; others support them with curriculum and career development.

YMCA OF THE USA AmeriCorps Direct High Ridge Branch YMCA 2424 West Touhy Avenue Chicago, IL 60645	Ms. Kitty Hooper (312) 262-8300	1
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The AmeriCorps Member works in 17 urban and low-income communities organizing middle and high school students in school-based clubs called YMCA Earth Service Corps. The students, with the support of the Member, teachers, and other community volunteers, take the lead in planning and carrying out environmental service projects.

AMERICAN RED CROSS DISASTER PREVENTION AmeriCorps*VISTA 43 East Ohio Street Chicago, Illinois 60611	Mr. Skip Batchelor (312) 440-2033	12
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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members address the needs of communities affected by natural disasters. Members have conducted a comprehensive needs assessment and have been intimately involved in coordinating the planning, preparedness and response activities of local communities. They have developed over 50 new relationships with emergency response agencies, local government entities and the private sector. To ensure replicability, a program manual is being developed which will be shared nationwide.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
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AUSTIN/GARFIELD FEDERAL
AmeriCorps*VISTA
4909 West Division, Suite #100
Chicago, IL 60652

Ms. Jean Sample
(312) 287-2943

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The AmeriCorps*VISTA Members work with residents of the community to educate them about this community development credit union and encourage them to become credit union members. They conduct consumer education seminars in schools, churches and senior centers. The credit union enables the community to keep financial resources within the community and helps increase its economic viability.

BETHEL COMMUNITY FACILITY
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1250 Portland Avenue
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Mr. John H. Rice
(708) 758-5585

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The AmeriCorps*VISTA Members facilitate the development of a community health care center. They are working to finalize the relocation process for this center, which serves a crime and drug infested neighborhood. Members implement an after-school tutorial program for local youth and a health education program for women in the neighborhood.

BETHEL NEW LIFE
AmeriCorps*VISTA
110 North Pulaski
Chicago, Illinois 60624

Mr. Cedric Melton
(312) 7281-0495

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members coordinate programs for job development, employment readiness, and job retention. Members have formed partnerships with local businesses, resulting in a 25 percent increase in the number of available jobs. They also assess employment needs of unemployed community residents, conduct job readiness training when needed and match 100 prospective employees with local employers. Members have recruited local volunteers to serve as job retention counselors and informal mentors.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
HEALTH CARE CONSUMERS
AmeriCorps*VISTA
44 East Main, Suite 208
Champaign, Illinois 60607

Ms. Laura Kurre
(217) 352-6533

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are responsible for implementing a community dental program which provides dental care to 9,000 low-income residents. Members are also working with parents to implement a school breakfast and summer park district food service program. Finally, Members are engaged in a comprehensive health outreach program, providing health care educational material to the 54 percent of the county population that receives public assistance.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
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**CHICAGO ALLIANCE
FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY**
AmeriCorps*VISTA
28 East Jackson, Suite 1215
Chicago, IL 60604

Mr. Warren Friedman
(312) 462-0444

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are working to bring community policing to the neighborhoods of Chicago. Members have developed local leadership from community residents, and facilitated the printing of flyers for the rally in English, Spanish and Polish. Several crack houses have been closed, gang elements have moved from neighborhoods and numerous positive news stories have been generated. And one Member has developed a newsletter for CANS to share success stories with all involved neighborhoods.

CHICAGO CITIES IN SCHOOLS
AmeriCorps*VISTA
815 West Van Buren, Suite 300
Chicago, Illinois 60607

Ms. Ernestine King
(312) 829-2475

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members serve in some of Chicago's neediest communities. Members are responsible for developing partnerships with local non-profit agencies, enabling services to be provided at the school site. Members train parents and work with them on such issues as: leadership; confidentiality; diversity; resource development; and, community collaborations. Members monitor and support the work of a core group of leaders, who are parents serving as liaisons with community groups.

CHICAGO CLUSTER INITIATIVE
AmeriCorps*VISTA
140 South Dearborn, Suite 1710
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Ms. Dorothy Davis
(312) 726-5324

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are organizing a volunteer corps of community residents to work with children in educational support programs that will serve students in four neighborhoods. Youth Councils are developed by the AmeriCorps*VISTA Members, with the Members' offering seminars on leadership and diversity. Members have received commitments from five social service agencies to contribute resources to the after-school program.

**DECATUR-MACON COUNTIES
OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL**
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1122 East Marietta
Decatur, Illinois 62521

Ms. Vicki Bean
(217) 428 0155

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are involved in the fight against substance abuse and crime. In partnership with the Decatur Police Dept. and Decatur Mental Health Center, Members work with residents to operate two substance abuse programs. Members recruit community volunteers who oversee the programs. Members network with four local agencies to strengthen programs that provide weekend and after-school activities for 100 low-income youth. Members also work with community volunteers to coordinate a youth gang prevention program.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
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EKKLESIA (MINISTRY OF HELPS)

AmeriCorps*VISTA
1346 North Maplewood Avenue
Chicago, IL 60622

Rev. Tomas Sanabria
(312) 235-1278

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are developing a comprehensive social service system for the West Town, Humboldt Park, Logan Square and Hermosa areas of Chicago. Members work to develop a network of over 400 churches and social service agencies. They also have implemented an energy conservation program that serves 235 families, developed a summer school for 50 young people, and published a social services directory.

ELGIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AmeriCorps*VISTA
1700 Spartan Drive
Elgin, IL 60123

Mr. Michael Townsend
(708) 697-1000 x 6901

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members work with a consortium of five area agencies who direct their efforts at moving homeless people from life on the street to financial independence. Each year the project and the volunteers have worked with a minimum of 250 homeless persons in finding solutions to their problems of housing, employment, health and educational needs.

**ILLINOIS COALITION
FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE**

AmeriCorps*VISTA
100 East Washington, P.O. Box 17
Springfield, IL 62705

Mr. John Petrilli
(217) 522-2378

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members work with 12 local organizations to strengthen community and neighborhood involvement in solving local problems. Members initiate educational enhancement and employment programs to enable neighborhood youth to break out of the cycle of poverty. Members have organized four daily summer lunch programs and six after-school tutoring programs, recruiting 60 community volunteers for both of these efforts. Other AmeriCorps*VISTA activities include surveying local residents about community needs, establishing after-school activities for teenagers and working on issues of neighborhood safety and community policing.

**ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL
OF SENIOR CITIZENS**

AmeriCorps*VISTA
333 South Ashland
Chicago, IL 60607

Mr. Jason Kay
(312) 243-6296

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members have helped increase the awareness of people eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit. Members have recruited more than 100 volunteers to help disseminate 10,000 pieces of literature about the Earned Income Credit to 120 churches, grocery stores, train stops and other public locations. Small employers and unions have been contacted with information concerning this important support for low income persons. Both seniors and low income families have benefited from this outreach.

PROGRAM	CONTACT	TOTAL PARTICIPANTS
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KANKAKEE COUNTY HOUSING
AmeriCorps*VISTA
340 North Dearborn Avenue
Kankakee, Illinois 60901

Mr. Elliot Parker
(815) 935-0830

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are developing educational workshops for local housing authority residents. These workshops are created with community involvement and are designed to keep students in school. Members recruit local housing residents for an on-site tutoring program. They also maintain a job bulletin board and sponsor a quarterly job fair for the housing residents. Members provide job training readiness workshops, instruction in writing resumes, job searching and interviewing, and time management techniques.

LAKE VIEW SHELTER
AmeriCorps*VISTA
3212 North Broadway
Chicago, Illinois 60657

Ms. Annie Hudson
(312) 528-6657

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members provide shelter and food to over 500 homeless individuals. As part of their transition from homeless to stable life, the Members will ensure that men and women receive case management services, mental health counseling, employment assistance, and housing assistance. Over 25,000 meals will be provided and 9,000 shelter bed nights will be available. Members collaborate with other non-profit agencies to develop a shared resource coordinator, with each collaborating agency sharing expenses and resources collected.

LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF ILLINOIS
AmeriCorps*VISTA
30 East Adams, Suite 1050
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Ms. Dorothy Miaso
(312) 857-1582

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members recruit and train local volunteers, match the volunteers with non-readers and evaluate the effectiveness of each match. Members work with the local providers to increase awareness of the challenges of illiteracy. Members have been instrumental in organizing a 'walk for literacy,' raising \$40,000 for literacy efforts in Chicago. Members have sponsored a family literacy night and developed literacy programs on-site, at the workplace and in correctional centers.

METROPOLITAN TENANTS ORGANIZATION
AmeriCorps*VISTA
2125 West North Avenue
Chicago, IL 60647

Ms. Susana Vasquez
(312) 292-4980

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members will enable low income housing tenants to build strategies that will identify buildings at risk and bring positive change in maintenance, management and ownership of the building in which they reside. Members also will develop tenant-run housing organizations.

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MEXICAN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
AmeriCorps*VISTA
2939 East 91st Street
Chicago, IL 60617

Mr. Henry Martinez
(312) 978-6441

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are involved in the Family First program and an English as a Second Language program. Members develop programs that provide preventive health services to women, refer residents to testing for tuberculosis and direct troubled families to domestic violence counseling. Members also established a program to provide single parents with a course on parenting skills. They provide information to increase numbers of children receiving childhood immunizations and to expand enrollment in ESL and GED classes.

**MIDWEST CHAPTER -
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1920 South Laflin
Chicago, IL 60608

Ms. Lisa Ferolo
(312) 243-6448

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AmeriCorps*VISTA have helped complete 24 homes and began work on 50 more. One project provided decent, affordable homes for 18 low income families. Members were instrumental in helping implement the Young Builders Program where 256 inner-city youth worked at 10 different sites. Members also developed a Regional Resource Bank through which resources such as family selection, financial, property acquisition, materials and volunteers can be accessed.

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY FEDERAL
AmeriCorps*VISTA
4554 North Broadway, # 240
Chicago, IL 60640

Ms. Elaine Graham
(312) 728-0495

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The AmeriCorps*VISTA Members help the credit union achieve its goal of helping disadvantaged people increase their economic viability. They have been instrumental in outreach to numerous schools, churches, senior centers and youth groups. Their goal is to increase membership by 75 and deposits by \$5,000, and to increase the number of local volunteers supporting Credit Union activities. Members also provide consumer education activities to area residents.

PROMISED LAND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1090 Short Elm
Rockford, Illinois 61110

Mr. Jim Peterson
(815) 964-3473

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members have established a jobs program for homeless people and are now working with community groups to develop an employment resource center for the homeless. Members are developing a job directory which lists area employers likely to hire low-income individuals. They will conduct monthly pre-employment workshops and six job readiness workshops a year for area residents. Members also solicit funds and create new partnerships with area companies.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
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SOUTHTOWN YOUTH PROGRAM
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1116 South 15th
Mt. Vernon, Illinois 62864

Rev. J. Gordon
(618) 244-7191

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are working with community residents to develop a job bank and to establish more job networks. Members receive leadership training and in turn transfer these skills to community residents. Members recruit and support community volunteers in a drug education/prevention program aimed at youth. They are developing a parent support network, and a "minority male responsibility program" in which Members prepare and present quarterly life skills workshops to male mentors and young participants.

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AmeriCorps*VISTA
1900 West Monroe
Springfield, Illinois 62704

Mr. Leroy Jordan
(217) 525-3249

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members are recruiting parent volunteers to work within the public school system. With Member support, the parent volunteers provide social services assistance to low-income families. Over 500 low-income students will receive attention during the school year. Members are developing a home/community liaison program and training parents to assume leadership of the program, and monitoring the liaison program to determine its effectiveness and improve self-sufficiency.

TRAVELERS-IMMIGRANTS AID
AmeriCorps*VISTA
208 South LaSalle, Suite 1818
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Ms. Carol McNeill
(312) 629-4500 x 4085

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members in Humboldt Park are coordinating an ESL/outreach program. Members serving at Kovler Center are helping to develop fund raising strategies and an operational manual. The center is the only community-based program in Chicago for refugees and asylum seekers who have survived torture. Other AmeriCorps*VISTA Members serving at Families Building Communities are developing a mentoring program and a newsletter for homeless families.

WOMEN IN COMMUNITY SERVICE
AmeriCorps*VISTA
230 South Dearborn, Suite 675
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Ms. Harriet Johns
(312) 353-6493

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AmeriCorps*VISTA Members have established partnerships with non-profit agencies, private companies and government entities who can provide support to job corps students and to corps dropouts. Members are recruiting, training and supporting a corps of local volunteers, coordinating the match between local volunteer and student or dropout. Members are also developing a resource manual which will be used by the volunteer mentor.

RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) offers seniors, aged 55 and older the opportunity to contribute their talents and experience in the fulfillment of every conceivable service need within a community. The involvement of the RSVP volunteers, who serve without compensation, is bounded only by their personal interest and project need. Nationally, approximately 450,000 RSVP volunteers serve an annual total of over 80 million hours. They are assigned by 763 local projects to serve in over 60,000 community organizations.

In Illinois, approximately 14,400 RSVP volunteers enrich their communities through 23 projects. These volunteers serve almost 2.9 million hours annually through over 2,100 community organizations. Federal funding for RSVP in Illinois totals over \$1.3 million annually.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
ADAMS COUNTY RSVP 1125 Hampshire Quincy, IL 62301	Ms. Carla J. Gosney (217) 224-3633	517
BELLEVILLE AREA COLLEGE RSVP 201 North Church Street Belleville, IL 62220	Ms. Joan Major (618) 234-4410	983
CHAMPAIGN, DOUGLAS & PLATT RSVP 48 Main Champaign, IL 61820	Ms. Vicki Stewart (217) 359-6500	627
COLES COUNTY RSVP 720 Sixth Street Charleston, IL 61920	Ms. Marilyn Strangeman (217) 345-9530	300
DOVER RSVP 788 East Clay Decatur, IL 62521	Ms. Cynthia Lopian (217) 428-6616	480
DUPAGE & NORTHERN COOK COUNTIES 306 West Park Street Arlington Heights, IL 60005	Ms. Mary Fitzgibbons (708) 398-1010	1,062
EFFINGHAM RSVP 101 North Fourth Street Effingham, IL 62401	Ms. Lois J. Lecrone (217) 342-2193	482
HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE RSVP 2998 West Pearl City Road Freeport, IL 61032	Ms. Michael I Shore (815) 235-6121	299

PROGRAM	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
HULL HOUSE ASSOCIATION RSVP 10 South Riverside Suite 1720 Chicago, IL 60606	Mr. Keith Chae-Ziolek (312) 906-8600	1,462
JOLIET AREA RSVP 402 South Independence Romeoville, IL 60441	Sr. Ellen Thomas (815) 838-2125	992
KANE AND MCHENRY COUNTIES RSVP 3519 North Route 31 McHenry, IL 60050	Ms. Deborah A. Daintz (815) 344-3555	454
LAKE COUNTY RSVP 106 South Sheridan Road Waukegan, IL 60085	Ms. Cathy Grites (708) 249-4350	214
MCLEAN COUNTY RSVP 905 North Main Street Normal, IL 61761	Ms. Tarry Plattner (309) 454-1451	487
PENNISULA RSVP School Street P.O. Box 298 Kamark, IL 62956	Ms. Bess Speakman (618) 634-2201	632
PEORIA AND TAZEWELL COUNTIES RSVP 107 NE Monroe, Level B Peoria, IL 61602	Ms. Margaret Damm (309) 676-4894	423
ROCK ISLAND & SCOTT COUNTIES RSVP 1417 6th Avenue Moline, IL 61265	Ms. Betty Michelsen (309) 764-6804	865
ST. CLAIR & MADISON COUNTIES RSVP 601 Jr. Tohmpson Boulevard East St. Louis, IL 62201	Ms. Mary Alice Carson (618) 583-2547	307
SANGAMON COUNTY RSVP 701 West Mason Springfield, IL 62702	Ms. Patricia Miller (217) 528-4035	438
TRITON COLLEGE RSVP 2000 Fifth Avenue Rover Grove, IL 60171	Ms. Kathi Deresinski (708) 456-0300	735

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
WEST CENTRAL ILLINOIS RSVP 305 Sandburg Drive Carthage, IL 62321	Ms. Nancy Jameson (217) 357-2804	635
WESTERN EGYPTIAN EOC RSVP #1 Industrial Park P.O. Box 7 Steeleville, IL 62288	Ms. Donna Wolters (618) 965-9523	1,002
WINNEBAGO COUNTY RSVP 326 West Jefferson Street Rockford, IL 61101	Ms. Elaine Pfluger (815) 963-7787	630
WOODFORD, MARSHALL & LIVINGTON 700 North Main Street Eureka, IL 61530	Ms. Gina R. Felgenhauer (309) 467-9050	359

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM (FGP)

Foster Grandparents, low-income seniors, aged 60 and older, provide individualized attention and guidance to children with mental, physical or emotional disabilities. They receive a small stipend that enables them to serve--but they will tell you that they serve because they love the opportunity to make life a little better for children in need. Nationally, over 23,000 Foster Grandparents serve an annual total of over 21 million hours through 276 local projects. These volunteers serve over 80,000 children at over 7,000 community organizations.

In Illinois, over 700 Foster Grandparents are actively engaged in 9 projects. They contribute over 21 million hours of service annually to children with special needs. Federal funding for FGP in Illinois totals approximately \$2.2 million annually.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
CHICAGO FGP 510 North Peshtigo Court, Suite 300 Chicago, IL 60611	Mr. Kenneth Bernat (312) 744-3221	147
KANKAKEE AND LIVINGSTON FGP 710 North Chicago Avenue Kankakee, IL 60901	Ms. Jean D. Morrow (815) 937-5065	62
LOGAN COUNTY FGP 1800 Fifth Street Lincoln, IL 62656	Ms. Paula Kirk (217) 732-9391	82
MADISON AND CLINTON COUNTIES FGP 3116 Acorn Street Alton, IL 62002	Ms. Barbara A. Gray (618) 463-0067	103
PEORIA AND TAZEWELL COUNTIES FGP 2219 South Idaho, Trewyn Pavilion Peoria, IL 61605	Ms. Jennett D. Spicer (309) 671-3950	54
ST. CLAIR AND MADISON COUNTIES FGP 601 James R. Thompson East St. Louis, IL 62201	Mr. Warren F. Mitchell (618) 583-2543	67
SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY FGP 234 South Wabash Chicago, IL 60604	Ms. Kathryn Conant (312) 408-8825	101
WESTERN ILLINOIS FGP 405 Emmons Avenue P.O. Box 610 Rock Falls, IL 61071	Ms. Alma Mathias (815) 625-7830	85
WILL COUNTY FGP 402 South Independence Boulevard Romeoville, IL 60441	Ms. John C. Jackson (815) 838-2125	62

SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM (SCP)

Senior Companions are low-income seniors, aged 60 and older, who assist frail adults achieve and maintain their highest level of independent living. They receive a small stipend that enables them to serve 20 hours of practical, compassionate volunteer service each week, making a very tangible difference in the lives of those they serve.

Nationally, approximately 13,000 Senior Companions give over 11 million hours of their time, patience and love to care for less fortunate individuals through 187 local projects. Volunteers usually serve two to four other seniors through almost 2,500 community organizations. Senior Companions serve a total of more than 35,000 persons annually.

In Illinois, approximately 350 volunteers serve through 7 projects. They serve over 335,000 hours per year through 72 community organizations. Federal funding for SCP in Illinois totals approximately \$900,000 annually.

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>TOTAL PARTICIPANTS</u>
BELLEVILLE AREA COLLEGE SCP 201 North Church Street Belleville, IL 62220	Ms. Carrol Hudack (618) 234-4410	110
CHELP SCP 1429 North Jasper Street Decatur, IL 62526	Ms. Joyce C. Streight (217) 422-9888	19
CHICAGO SCP 510 North Peshtigo Court Room 300A Chicago, IL 60611	Mr. James Watts (312) 744-3221	70
FAMILY CARE SERVICE SCP 234 South Wabash Avenue Chicago, IL 60604	Ms. Alma M. Reed (312) 427-8790	80
KANKAKEE & IRIQUOIS COUNTIES SCP 657 East Court Street Kankakee, IL 60901	Ms. Kathleen Kennedy (815) 933-7791	32
PULAKSI COUNTY SCP 112 First Street, Suite 101 Mounds, IL 62964	Ms. Jean A. Daley (618) 745-6174	16
WILL COUNTY SCP 402 South Independence Boulevard Romeoville, IL 60441	Sr. Therese Frey (815) 838-2125	33