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AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee Luncheon
Remarks for Harris Wofford
October 20, 1999

Thank you Mrs. Clinton. I salute you and President Clinton for all that you have done to make today possible.

Thanks also to my special friends Eli Segal and Alan Solomont and the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee for their important efforts to bring greater recognition to the contributions that AmeriCorps members are making every day in communities across the country.

I also want to recognize my old friend and colleague Coretta Scott King; and newer friends and fellow travelers in the world of citizen service, Governor and Mrs. Leavitt and []

And thanks to all of you here today – you are all key members of the AmeriCorps family – and with your continued support, AmeriCorps will thrive in the 21st century.

Today is a great day for national service. A little more than five years ago, President Clinton challenged a new generation to a season of service. Since then more than 150,000 Americans have answered his call – as many as have joined the Peace Corps in 38 years.

You can see the value of these AmeriCorps members in the children tutored and mentored; the homes built and renovated; the schools repaired; the neighborhoods made safe – in the hope restored and the spirits raised. And the impact of the 150,000 AmeriCorps members is multiplied many times over by the millions of volunteers they recruit, train, and oversee.

I am delighted to tell you that support for AmeriCorps has expanded dramatically across the political spectrum over the last five years. That's as it should be – because service to country – whether in the military, in the Peace Corps, or in AmeriCorps – is something that should be above partisan politics.

In a few minutes at the ceremony on the South Lawn, you will see powerful evidence of the support for AmeriCorps. And you will see the young people who are the most important reason for that support.

AmeriCorps shows us that if we invest in our young people – if we lift their sights, ignite their imaginations, and engage their minds and bodies in working alongside people of different racial, economic, and religious backgrounds to solve problems and achieve common goals, we will discover an antidote to the isolation, alienation, and cynicism around us.

Coretta: As you know, Martin said that “Everybody can be great because everybody can serve.” Those words are the heart and soul of AmeriCorps. Through their service, AmeriCorps members develop and deliver the greatness that our country most needs. That's why on the Martin Luther King Holiday this past January, the President said, “AmeriCorps, it seems to me, is the living, breathing embodiment of the way Martin Luther King thought all of America ought to work”

I hope all of you here today are proud to be a part of this bold experiment in citizen service – proud for helping to make that part of Martin's dream come true.

THANK YOU.



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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY LUNCH
OCTOBER 20, 1999**

Talking Points

- I want to welcome all of you to the White House for what is truly a remarkable anniversary. Five years ago, right here at the White House, the President swore the first AmeriCorps members into service for our country.
- And in just five years – those first members have grown to more than 150,000 young people who have answered the Call to Service, and transformed America one child, one school, one community at a time.
- The President has said that AmeriCorps is one of his proudest achievements. And when I think of the AmeriCorps members I have met these past five years – idealistic young people filled with the “can do” spirit, I know why. I have seen AmeriCorps members in action – helping hurricane victims rebuild their homes and their lives; teaching children to read in schools that can’t even afford text books; wiring schools and community centers for the internet; training child care workers; and building houses for the homeless with Habitat for Humanity and Youthbuild. In short, they are getting things done.

- And I have seen how AmeriCorps has also made a difference in the lives of its members –helping them earn money for college or pay back student loans; helping members from all walks of life gain a greater understanding of each other and the diverse communities we live in.
- Today is our opportunity to thank the people who made all this possible. First, our nonprofit partners – including America's Promise, the Points of Light Foundation, Youth Service America, the Red Cross, [need to list some who will be in the room-- don't have list from Social yet]. Thank you for believing that AmeriCorps could work for the people you serve.
- Next, our corporate and foundation partners. Some of you have worked with us from the very beginning, by supporting local initiatives or national programs – like the Ford Foundation, IBM, GE, the Kellogg Foundation, the Kauffman Foundation, and the James Irvine Foundation, to name a few.
- And some of you are supporting an effort to make the program that has been described as “the best kept secret in Washington” more visible – I especially want to thank Danny Abraham with Slimfast Foods, Archer Daniels Midland, Yahoo, AOL, and Nokia, along with my good friend Jill Iscol for all they have done.
- This effort to make AmeriCorps more visible is the hard work of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. Over the year, the Committee has worked with Yahoo to create a state of the art website about AmeriCorps, which is being unveiled this week and will be improved over the coming months; with Roy Spence and his wonderfully creative colleagues at GSD&M to develop television ads, which we will be previewing at the ceremony in a few minutes; with Peter Hart and his associates to refine the message and learn what the American people like best about AmeriCorps; and with Morgan Binswanger at the Creative Artists Foundation to develop a television special – which we hope to premiere in the coming months.
- I first met with the committee's organizers almost a year ago -- and I could not have met a more enthusiastic, energetic and committed group of people. One of the committee's leaders was my good friend Dan Dutko. I know that we all wish that Dan Dutko could have lived to see this day. He brought to this Committee a great creative mind, his wide network of friends and colleagues, and a passion to help out whenever he was needed. His tragic death was a tremendous loss for all of us. I know we would not be here today had it not been for him.
- Eli Segal and Alan Solomont have continued the work of the Committee in Dan's absence and I am deeply grateful to them both.
- I particularly want to thank Eli Segal, who heads the Welfare-to-Work Partnership,

another great success story, but deserves our thanks both for his excellent work in starting up AmeriCorps – guiding the legislation through Congress and then serving as the first CEO of the Corporation for National Service; and for his leadership of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. We will hear from Eli shortly.

- But first, it is my pleasure to thank and introduce the current CEO of the Corporation for National Service, Harris Wofford. After a long and distinguished career in public service, Harris agreed a few years ago to lead AmeriCorps into the 21st Century. We are so lucky he did. Harris has guided AmeriCorps through some of its toughest hours in Congress. By reaching across the aisle, Harris has built even stronger bipartisan support for the program and developed strong partnerships with many of the nonprofit organizations here today. Harris – please come up and say a few words.

**REMARKS FOR ELI SEGAL
AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON**

October 20, 1999

- **THANK YOU MRS. CLINTON.**
- **AS MRS. CLINTON MENTIONED, A SMALL GROUP OF PRIVATE CITIZENS GOT TOGETHER ALMOST A YEAR AGO TO EXPLORE THE IDEA OF USING THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICORPS TO RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT AMERICORPS MEMBERS MAKE EVERY DAY IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS AMERICA.**
- **WE FELT THAT IF WE COULD TELL THE STORIES OF THE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAD DEDICATED A YEAR OF THEIR LIVES TO SERVING COMMUNITY AND COUNTRY, WE COULD BUILD STRONG SUPPORT FOR AMERICORPS AMONG AMERICANS..**
- **AND SO WE FORMED THE AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE, AN INDEPENDENT, NONPARTISAN NON-PROFIT INITIATIVE AND DECIDED THAT WHAT WAS NEEDED WAS A DYNAMIC VISIBILITY CAMPAIGN TO BRING THE WORK OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS TO THE FOREFRONT OF PUBLIC AWARENESS. IN SO DOING, WE ALSO HOPE TO ENCOURAGE MORE AMERICANS TO CONSIDER JOINING AMERICORPS.**
- **TODAY AS WE CELEBRATE THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICORPS, WE ALSO CELEBRATE THE LAUNCH OF THE COMMITTEE'S CAMPAIGN. WHEN WE GO OUT TO THE SOUTH LAWN FOR THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, YOU WILL SEE THE PREMIERE OF TWO TELEVISION SPOTS PRODUCED BY THE COMMITTEE. WE HAVE ALSO PRODUCED THREE PRINT ADVERTISEMENTS WHICH WILL APPEAR IN NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.**
- **BUT BEFORE WE GO OUTSIDE, THERE ARE SOME VERY IMPORTANT PEOPLE I WOULD LIKE TO THANK.**
- **FIRST, I WANT TO INTRODUCE THE FIVE AMERICORPS MEMBERS WHO ARE FEATURED IN THE NEW CAMPAIGN WHO ARE HERE WITH US TODAY: CHAVARR COPPEDGE, CARL FRANKLIN, CHRISTINA LAGDAMEO, HEATHER RIBIERO, AND HANNAH WISE. WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE, AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.**
- **MRS. CLINTON MENTIONED DAN DUTKO, AND I WILL SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT DAN AND HIS COMMITMENT TO THIS PROJECT IN JUST A FEW**

MINUTES.

- **BUT BEFORE WE GET TO THAT, I WANT TO THANK ALAN SOLOMONT, WHO HAS SERVED AS CO-CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE, TOM WHEELER, ALAN BLINKEN, MORGAN BINSWANGER AND ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE SERVED ON THE COMMITTEE FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO NATIONAL SERVICE AND AMERICORPS.**
- **SINCE THE BEGINNING, AMERICORPS HAS BEEN A INNOVATIVE AND EFFECTIVE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP. MRS. CLINTON MENTIONED SOME OF OUR LONGTIME PARTNERS, AND I WANT TO ADD MY THANKS TO THEM. I ALSO WANT TO MENTION SOME NEW PARTNERS WHOSE LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT HAVE MADE THIS CAMPAIGN POSSIBLE..**
- **MRS. CLINTON HAS ALREADY MENTIONED SOME OF YOU, BUT I ALSO WANT TO ADD MY THANKS TO DANNY ABRAHAM, THE CEO OF SLIM FAST FOODS AND DWAYNE ANDREAS AND DEAN REED OF ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND FOR STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE WITH MAJOR INVESTMENTS IN THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE.**
- **WE ARE ALSO GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT OF YAHOO! FOR CREATING OUR BRAND NEW AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY WEB SITE AT WWW.ANNIVERSARY.YAHOO.COM. JERRY YANG COULD NOT BE WITH US TODAY, BUT I HOPE YOU'LL ALL VISIT THE WEB SITE WHICH FEATURES SOME OF THE AMERICORPS MEMBERS IN THE CAMPAIGN.**
- **THANKS ALSO TO K-P WILSKA, CEO OF NOKIA MOBILE PHONES AMERICA, JILL AND KEN ISCOL, ANN BRONFMAN, AND RUTH WEISBACH FOR SO GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE.**
- **I ALSO WANT TO THANK AMERICA ONLINE FOR THEIR STRONG SUPPORT OF AMERICORPS AND FOR CONTRIBUTING SIGNIFICANT ONLINE ADVERTISING FOR THE CAMPAIGN.**
- **THERE ARE TWO PEOPLE HERE TODAY WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE HAVE BEEN EXTRAORDINARY. MRS. CLINTON HAS ALREADY MENTIONED YOU, BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE. PETER HART AND ROY SPENCE AND THEIR COLLEAGUES HAVE BEEN KEY PARTNERS IN OUR ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE THE ESSENCE OF AMERICORPS AND COMMUNICATE IT IN A COMPELLING AND INSPIRING WAY TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.**
- **THE CAMPAIGN WE ARE LAUNCHING TODAY IS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF AN IMPORTANT NEW SURVEY CONDUCTED BY PETER AND HIS TEAM WHICH HELPED US DEVELOP A NEW MESSAGE FOR AMERICORPS.**

- THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO LIFE BEAUTIFULLY IN THESE ADVERTISEMENTS BY THE CREATIVE GENIUS OF ROY AND HIS TEAM AT GSD&M.
- MRS. CLINTON ALSO MENTIONED THAT WE ARE PURSUING THE IDEA OF DEVELOPING A TELEVISION SPECIAL ON AMERICORPS THAT TELLS THE STORIES OF THESE EXTRAORDINARY YOUNG LEADERS, AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MORGAN BINSWANGER AND MICHELLE KYDD FOR WORKING WITH US ON THAT PART OF THE CAMPAIGN.
- NOW I WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT DAN DUTKO. MANY OF YOU KNEW DAN, WHO WAS A CREATOR AND CO-CHAIR OF THE AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE UNTIL HIS TRAGIC DEATH IN JULY.
- HE WAS A GREAT FRIEND TO ME, AND TO MANY OF US, AND IT IS LARGELY BECAUSE OF HIS COMMITMENT TO AMERICORPS AND HIS DEDICATION TO THIS EFFORT THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY.
- THE COMMITTEE WANTED TO FIND A WAY TO HONOR HIS MEMORY AND HIS COMMITMENT TO NATIONAL SERVICE, AND WE HAVE CREATED A SPECIAL AWARD IN HIS MEMORY. I'D LIKE TO ASK DEBORAH JOSPIN, DAN'S WIFE, TO JOIN ME FOR A SPECIAL PRESENTATION.
- TODAY, IN HONOR OF THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICORPS, AND IN MEMORY OF DAN, THE AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SOMEONE WHO'S SUPPORT FOR AMERICORPS HAS BEEN STRONG AND STEADFAST.
- SINCE THE BEGINNING, SHE HAS BEEN AN EXTRAORDINARY FRIEND TO AMERICORPS AND HAS BELIEVED STRONGLY IN THE POWER OF THIS UNIQUELY AMERICAN IDEA TO BUILD STRONGER COMMUNITIES AND STRONGER NATION. SHE IS ALSO A TIRELESS CRUSADER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO BELIEVES THAT THEY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE, AND THAT WE MUST FIND THE WAYS TO INSPIRE AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THEIR COUNTRY.
- PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANT, SHE HAS BEEN A POWERFUL FORCE IN THE EFFORT TO BUILD A LASTING FUTURE FOR AMERICORPS.
- MRS. CLINTON, WOULD YOU PLEASE JOIN US. ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE, WE PRESENT TO YOU THE DAN DUTKO AWARD FOR EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT TO NATIONAL SERVICE.

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Americorps Accomplishments

By the Associated Press

AmeriCorps' accomplishments over the past five years, provided by the Corporation for National Service and the White House:

Total participants: 150,000.

1999 participants: 40,000.

Number of communities served: 4,000.

AmeriCorps participants have:

- Built 11,000 homes.
- Given food, clothing or other services to 5 million homeless people.
- Helped 550,000 people receive job or career counseling.
- Assisted with more than 1 million immunizations.
- Provided independent living assistance for 650,000 senior citizens.
- Taught, tutored or mentored 4.4 million children.
- Provided after-school programs for 1 million at-risk youth.
- Established or operated 46,000 safety patrols.
- Recruited, trained or supervised more than 2.5 million volunteers for nonprofit groups.

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September 8, 1999

The Honorable Pete Hoekstra, Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations
Committee on Education and the Workforce
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman,

I write in response to your letter of August 25, 1999 regarding the activities surrounding the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps. We look forward to this opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of the thousands of Americans who have joined AmeriCorps and to draw more public attention to the need and opportunities for citizen service. This letter explains the background for the anniversary commemoration and will provide you with information about planned activities of which the Corporation is aware. This letter also responds to the specific questions you posed.

In this time of special concern about young people, it is particularly valuable to honor those who accept the challenge of spending a year or more serving with local and national non-profit organizations to help solve pressing community problems. The young people who have joined AmeriCorps, now numbering well over 100,000, are a model of what we want from young citizens - they are idealistic, energetic and committed to taking

personal responsibility for making their communities better. It is fitting that the actions and examples of these young people be publicly honored.

Renewing the ethic of civic responsibility, and the spirit of community, and encouraging more citizens to engage in service and volunteering are among the central goals that Congress set for the Corporation when it passed the National and Community Service Act of 1993. The Corporation meets those Congressional objectives through its grant programs - the National Senior Service Corps, Learn and Serve America and AmeriCorps - and through a variety of activities that promote the ideal of citizen service. By bringing attention to the accomplishments of AmeriCorps members, we will demonstrate the power of citizen service, highlight young people who are role models in making a sacrifice and practicing patriotism on the home front, and encourage more people to participate in service and volunteering.

The Corporation's efforts with respect to the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps are focused on a White House event and on swearing-in and service activities around the country connected with the annual Make a Difference Day.

The White House event is in the early planning stages at this point, and we are of course coordinating with White House staff on possible approaches to the event. The details of such events are rarely, if ever, settled until close to the event. We do expect that the new All*AmeriCorps awards will be part of the White House event.

The swearing-in and service activities are being spearheaded by the Governor-appointed state commissions on service and volunteering in connection with state and local Make a Difference Day projects. As you know, Make a Difference Day is the nation's largest day of helping others. The 9th Annual Make a Difference Day will be held on Saturday, October 23, and millions of Americans will help build low-income housing, clean up neighborhoods, tutor children in reading and math, and participate in a whole host of other activities that will make a positive contribution to their communities as part of this national celebration of service. This year Make a Difference Day is being sponsored by *USA Weekend* magazine in partnership with The Points of Light Foundation. Wal*Mart Discount Stores and the Newman's Own company are corporate sponsors of Make a Difference Day.

Participants in Corporation-supported programs, including AmeriCorps members, Senior Corps volunteers, and school-aged youth, have been enthusiastic participants in Make a Difference Day projects. For several years, the Corporation has actively encouraged all members of the national service family to take leadership roles in this national voluntary service day. For a large number of State Commissions and AmeriCorps grantees, Make a Difference Day has become an unofficial opening day. This year, because of the fifth anniversary, State Commissions and AmeriCorps grantees are making a special effort on Make a Difference Day as part of the broader attempt to draw attention to AmeriCorps' contributions and to recruit more AmeriCorps members.

In addition to a White House event and swearing-in and service projects on Make a Difference Day, a number of independent organizations in the service and volunteering community may use the fifth anniversary to commemorate AmeriCorps' accomplishments. The organization of former AmeriCorps members – AmeriCorps Alums – is likely to undertake various activities in connection with the anniversary. A group of interested citizens have formed the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee, which is also planning activities to recognize AmeriCorps' accomplishments. Other organizations in the service and volunteering field including Youth Service America, the Points of Light Foundation, the National Community Service Coalition, the Grantmaker Forum on Community and National Service, the National Association of Service and Conservation Corps, the American Association of State Service Commissions, and others may mark AmeriCorps' anniversary as well. Each of these organizations is wholly independent of the Corporation and making their own plans for commemorating AmeriCorps.

You have asked us to provide responses to several inquiries relating to the fifth anniversary. Since we are still in the early stages of planning, there is not much information or many documents responsive to your various requests.

- 1. Please describe in detail the White House involvement in the AmeriCorps celebration. This should include the White House role in planning the celebration as well as its expected role in participating in events as they occur. Include a copy of all correspondence (letters, e-mail messages, etc.) pertaining to the planned AmeriCorps celebration that took place between the Corporation and the White House.*

As noted above, we expect there will be a White House event marking the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps. In every administration, the White House is the scene of events that mark significant dates and policy achievements. Other agencies ranging from the [Defense Department] to the Department of Justice to the Peace Corps have participated in White House events of this kind. It should be no surprise that the President is particularly proud of AmeriCorps. And it is neither surprising or in any way improper that he would want to commemorate AmeriCorps members in a White House event.

We have been communicating with White House staff on matters normally associated with planning White House events of this kind such as selecting dates, identifying potential program participants, finding the right location, and creating preliminary program plans. We anticipate that the White House event will include speeches and the presentation of the All*AmeriCorps awards, which will honor outstanding AmeriCorps members who through their service have made a difference in their communities and for the nation. A final program, therefore, is far from ready at this point.

I have attached copies of documents that are responsive to your request for correspondence between the Corporation and the White House pertaining to the planned AmeriCorps celebration. Our response does not include any additional information and materials the White House may have in its possession relating to its involvement.

2. *Please calculate and report the total expected cost to taxpayers of the AmeriCorps celebration. This total should include: The cost of Corporation staff time devoted to planning and staging the celebration; all costs related to contract/consultant personnel who participate in the planning and staging of the celebration; the cost of all materials purchased relating to the staging of the celebration; the cost of advertising the event; the total cost to the White House of participating in the celebration, etc. For each itemized cost, please indicate from which portion of the Corporation or White House budget it will be allocated.*

At this time it is not possible to provide a detailed estimate of the costs associated with the fifth anniversary. We anticipate expenditures of up to \$100,000, excluding staff time. In addition, the Corporation has made \$2,000 available to each Governor-appointed State Commission to coordinate swearing-in and service events on Make a Difference Day. State Commissions have the option of applying for this funding.

To date, few staff resources have been devoted to planning the fifth anniversary. Due to the early stage of the planning process and the uncertainty of the details of the White House event, we cannot now project what the total staff cost will be. We estimate that since April 1 a total of 378 staff hours have been spent on planning the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps at an estimated cost of less than \$14,000 (These estimates, of course, do not include any calculation of time that White House staff may have spent on this project.)

3. *If any of the expenses incurred from the celebration will be charged to contracts and/or cooperative agreements entered into by the Corporation, please provide a copy of those contracts/cooperative agreements. Indicate how much the Corporation expects to charge to each of the contract/cooperative agreements as a cost of the celebration. Itemize the specific expenditures in a separate breakdown. Provide a list of the names of all contract employees and consultants. Describe any subcontractual relations to the contractors that are/will be involved in the celebration and list the names of all subcontract employees and consultants.*

To date, the Corporation has not incurred expenses for the fifth anniversary commemoration through contracts or cooperative agreements. As stated earlier, we plan to make \$2,000 available to the Governor-appointed State Commissions to coordinate Make a Difference Day community service.

4. *Please provide an agenda and timeline of events for the AmeriCorps fifth anniversary celebration.*

As noted above, most of the details associated with the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps have not been finalized. At the White House event, we expect there will be speeches and the presentation of the All*AmeriCorps Awards. Around the country, State Commissions and AmeriCorps grantees are organizing a variety of community service events associated with Make a Difference Day, including swearing-in ceremonies of new AmeriCorps members in many locations. We also anticipate that a variety of community service and non-profit organizations may engage in activities to promote awareness of the fifth anniversary and to expand participation in national and community service activities. The Corporation does not have a final agenda and timeline for all of the activities.

5. *The National Service News reports that Harris Wofford recently wrote a letter to the national service community regarding the AmeriCorps celebration. Please provide a copy of the letter and any attachments with which it was sent out.*

The letter is attached.

6. *If it is the intent of the Corporation to mention the total number of AmeriCorps graduates in the context of the upcoming celebration, please report this total and describe in detail the methodology used to compute it. [H]ow does it treat those participants who failed to complete their term of service? How does it count those who have not used their education awards? Are part-time participants counted the same as full-time participants?*

At this point, well over 100,000 Americans have joined AmeriCorps since it began five years ago. This figure represents the number of people who have joined AmeriCorps in either a full-time or part-time capacity. We have used the 100,000-member total for some time in describing the success of the program, but we have not yet determined how we may use this number in connection with the fifth anniversary. In a hearing earlier this year, we provided the Senate VA-HUD Appropriations Subcommittee with the following details concerning full- and part-time enrollments in the first four program years:

Program Yr.	Full-Time Members	Full-Time Percent	Part-Time Members	Part-Time Percent	All Members
1994	16,054	64%	9,163	36%	25,217
1995	17,844	71%	7,338	29%	25,182
1996	17,608	70%	7,520	30%	25,128
1997	22,963	61%	14,586	39%	37,549
Total	74,469	66%	38,607	34%	113,076

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I trust that this letter explains why the commemoration of the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps is appropriate and satisfactorily answers your inquiries.

Sincerely,

Harris Wofford
Chief Executive Officer

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Q & A on 5th Anniversary AmeriCorps Announcements

All-AmeriCorps Awards

Q: What are the All-AmeriCorps awards?

A: A new award was created on the Fifth Anniversary of AmeriCorps to celebrate the extraordinary contributions AmeriCorps members make every day to their communities, their states, and their nation. The awards will be presented in four categories: Getting Things Done, Strengthening Communities, Leadership, and Common Ground.

Q: Who was eligible for these awards?

A: AmeriCorps members who served their communities beginning with the Summer of Service in 1993 through those who will complete their service during the summer of 1999. All AmeriCorps members or AmeriCorps alumni who served full- or part-time in AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), AmeriCorps*Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA), or any AmeriCorps*State, National, Tribal or US Territory program including Education Awards Programs were eligible.

Q: What criteria were used to select recipients?

A: The award categories reflected the key areas of impact and innovation that characterize national service. Each category had separate criteria. For example, under the "Getting Things Done Award," the AmeriCorps members must have made a significant impact in education, human needs, public safety, and/or the environment; met a compelling community need; and, took on an especially tough task and the better of it.

Q: Who made the final selection?

A: A selection committee made up of members of the Corporation for National Service Board of Directors, peers from the national service field, and Corporation staff reviewed the nominations.

Q: How many AmeriCorps members received these awards?

A: Twenty-one current and former AmeriCorps members received the award. A list of awardees is available in the Press Office.

Continuing Service Initiative for AmeriCorps Alumni

Q: What is the AmeriCorps Alumni Continuing Service Initiative?

A: As part of the AmeriCorps fifth anniversary commemoration, President Clinton will issue

a renewed “call to service” to former AmeriCorps members and seek to expand and strengthen the continuing service for these AmeriCorps alumni. The President will announce the following specific actions: he will write to all former AmeriCorps members about their obligation and opportunities for continuing service to their community and their country; he will direct the Corporation for National Service to connect former AmeriCorps members to community service opportunities; and he will announce a strategic alliance between the Corporation for National Service and leading non-profit organizations to engage former AmeriCorps members in significant volunteer roles.

Q: What is the purpose of the initiative?

A: When AmeriCorps members take the pledge to join AmeriCorps, they commit to serving their communities during their term as Corps members and “beyond.” This initiative is designed to help AmeriCorps alumni reconnect with their communities and continue to provide valuable community service in areas of national need from mentoring and tutoring to disaster relief.

Q. How does it work?

A. The Corporation for National Service will immediately begin to develop a special registry of former AmeriCorps members who are interested in continuing volunteer service and to connect those AmeriCorps alumni with service opportunities. The goal will be to match the skills and experiences of AmeriCorps alumni with the needs of individual non-profit and educational allies. Interested AmeriCorps alumni can register at www.americorps.org.

Q. What organizations are participating?

A. The opportunity to participate in this initiative will be open to a broad array of non-profit organizations that offer significant service opportunities. The first organizations to agree to participate in this new initiative are: **The National Mentoring Partnership, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, Habitat for Humanity International, The American Red Cross, Boys and Girls Clubs, America’s Promise, Points of Light Foundation, and The United Way of America.**

Q. Isn’t this just another way to organize volunteers for political purposes?

A. No. This is a non-partisan venture that has nothing to do with politics. Just like the Peace Corps’ Department of Returned Volunteer Services, the sole purpose of this initiative is to connect former AmeriCorps members with service opportunities. Furthermore, participating organizations will agree to provide AmeriCorps alumni with service opportunities and to restrict the purpose of any solicitation to service opportunities.

Q. How does this differ from AmeriCorps Alums, Inc.?

A. This initiative is designed to work in concert with AmeriCorps Alums, not in competition with them. AmeriCorps Alums' mission is broader and includes job referrals. This initiative is designed to connect former AmeriCorps alumni with service opportunities.

Q. What authority do you have for this initiative?

A. The Corporation's statutory mandate includes renewing the ethic of civic responsibility and the spirit of community through the United States and fostering a sense of national identity among AmeriCorps members. In addition, the Corporation's Vision Statement in its 1997-2002 Strategic Plan envisions (1) a nation in which individuals find effective ways to engage in service throughout their lives; and (2) an organization that is a valuable resource to, and a partner with national, state and local organizations that seek to solve problems through service. The Corporation for National Service has authority under Section 198 (d) and (i) of the National and Community Service Act of 1990.

Q. How do you keep hate groups or ideological organizations from participating in this initiative?

A. The intent of this initiative is to be inclusive of all non-profit organizations that agree with the terms of a written agreement. We expect to follow the same statutory restrictions that limit the participation of groups such as for-profit entities and lobbying organizations.

Q. How much will this cost?

A. An exact cost is not known at this time, but this initiative will be funded within the Corporation for National Service's existing budget.

Q. Does this violate AmeriCorps members' privacy rights?

A. No. AmeriCorps alumni will be included in the registry only on a voluntary basis if s/he specifically consents.

"Taking Responsibility Personally" Campaign

Q: What is the "Taking Responsibility Personally" Campaign?

A: To mark the Fifth Anniversary of AmeriCorps and celebrate its success, the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee, an independent non-profit organization, is launching a dynamic visibility campaign dedicated to bringing the work of AmeriCorps and its volunteers to the forefront of public awareness and understanding. The Campaign will consist of a

multi-media strategy involving print, radio, and television advertising, as well as the development of a strong web presence for AmeriCorps.

Q: Who paid for and produced the television advertisement unveiled by the First Lady today?

A: The ads were developed by Roy Spence of GSD&M based on survey research by Peter Hart and his firm. Both of these firms carried out the project on a pro bono basis. The ads focus on the personal stories and impact of individual AmeriCorps volunteers and the communities in which they work. Two thirty-second television spots were created and the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee is seeking to run 800 to 1000 of these ads on various national television programs and with each major network outlet.

Q: What is the purpose of the Yahoo! web site and were services donated?

A: Yahoo! donated its services to create an Anniversary webpage to help tell the stories of AmeriCorps members, and to aggressively promote this information throughout the Yahoo! Network.

Loads of worry about open borders

Is it safe to let trucks from Canada and Mexico have full access to U.S. roads?

By Scott Bowles
USA TODAY

During afternoon rush hour in Baltimore on June 8, a tractor-trailer hauling excavating machinery crashed into a pedestrian bridge spanning Interstate 695. The truck demolished the walkway and sent debris spilling onto the highway, killing one motorist, injuring five others and tying up traffic for 12 hours.

Investigators later learned that the driver worked for a Canadian motor carrier and had loaded his truck improperly. He told officials he had never received training on how to load cargo for travel on U.S. highways, but he had watched other drivers loading trucks and tried it himself.

Such calamities will be at the heart of what could be a contentious federal hearing on truck safety that begins today in Los Angeles.

The National Transportation Safety Board will examine whether the United States is prepared to open its borders to trucks from Mexico and Canada.

Under the first large-scale application of the North American Free Trade Agreement, Mexican and Canadian trucks gain full access to roads throughout the USA on Jan. 1, 2000.

Currently, Mexican trucks can travel a limited distance within the USA, typically 3 to 20 miles from the border. Canadian trucks have more leeway, but still face restrictions.

The hearing comes as Congress prepares to create a separate agency within the Transportation Department dedicated to reducing truck accidents, which kill more than 5,000 people on the nation's roads every year.

Supporters of NAFTA's open-border provision say it will be a boon to the U.S. economy and is critical for regions that have grown increasingly dependent on cross-border trucking.

Trade between the United States and Mexico has more than doubled in five years, from \$81.4 billion in 1993 to \$173.4 billion in 1998. (NAFTA took effect Jan. 1, 1994.) Trade with Canada surged from \$211 billion to \$329 billion over the same period. More than three-quarters of U.S. trade with Canada and Mexico relies on trucking.

Opponents say that with too few inspectors already, unregulated trucks, particularly from Mexico, will pose a serious safety threat on U.S. roads.

"I don't think we're ready to open the borders," House Transportation Committee Chairman Rep. Bud Shuster, R-Pa., says. "The evidence is that Mexican trucks aren't as safe as they should be."

Resistance to the NAFTA truck provisions has been building since January,

when an audit by the U.S. Inspector General's Office found that nearly half of all Mexican trucks making deliveries into the USA failed safety inspections. The audit found that the failure rate for trucks from Mexico was 44%, compared with 25% for U.S. trucks and 17% for Canadian trucks.

Many of the foreign trucks that were inspected were leaking hydraulic fluids, operating with brakes on the verge of shattering and were improperly loaded. In addition, the audit said, Mexico enforces very few truck regulations.

"No logbooks are required for (Mexican) truckers," says Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., chairman of the House Appropriations transportation subcommittee. "No vehicle maintenance standards. No roadside inspections and no safety rating system. Can we be sure that these trucks won't present a safety problem on our highways come January? I don't think so."

But Miguel Rodriguez, owner of Rodriguez Shipping-Transport in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, near the Texas border, says the problem is not Mexican or Canadian trucks, but rather the overwhelming number of trucks in general.

In nearby Laredo, Texas, more than 1.3 million trucks crossed the border last year. Just 680 were inspected.

"The United States has unsafe trucks

as well," Rodriguez says. "They should concentrate on getting every unsafe truck off the road, regardless of where it comes from."

Some members of Congress hope to address the issue with a new National Motor Carrier Administration, which would increase financing to target truckers violating safety rules.

The agency would report directly to the Transportation Department and would have authority to shut down rogue operators and revoke licenses.

The legislation would more than double the funding for truck-safety enforcement, from \$354 million to \$774 million, and beef up truck inspections at border checkpoints.

It would also:

- Set aside \$420 million over the next three years for safety program grants.

- Increase from \$500 to \$10,000 the first-offense fines that can be levied on foreign carriers that violate U.S. trucking rules.

- Authorize the Transportation Department to suspend operations of a motor carrier that fails to pay civil fines within 180 days.

The bill to create the agency passed the House 415-5 last week. The Senate is expected to approve similar legislation.

The Clinton administration has endorsed the House plan.

AmeriCorps: Small scale, huge success

NEW YORK — From the moment Bill Clinton declared his candidacy for president eight years ago this month, he spoke with missionary fervor about a vast program of national service. The idea, which soon became one of the sure-fire applause lines in Clinton's stump speech, was to grant all young Americans the opportunity to earn money for college tuition by dedicating themselves to two years of service in public schools, nursing homes or charitable institutions.

Uganda Gibson is living out Clinton's dream. Last month, this poised 27-year-old woman began working for AmeriCorps as a teacher's aide in a second-grade class at P.S. 207, a dilapidated elementary school on West 117th Street in Harlem. "Homework is a real issue," she said Tuesday morning. "A lot of parents aren't doing what they should. So I go through the homework with the kids."

This afternoon, in a tent on the White House lawn, the president will celebrate the fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps, the volunteer service program that Clinton hopes will become as much a part of his legacy as the Peace Corps was of John Kennedy's.

Clinton will probably express similar sentiments to those he uttered last February, when he challenged young people "to dedicate a year or two of your lives to a cause larger than yourselves.

It may be your best chance to change the lives of others for the better, and to enrich your own life in the process."

AmeriCorps illustrates how the idealistic words that provide heft to a candidate's pitch for votes in the primaries can be transformed into enduring federal programs. But an equally valid truth may be lost amid today's self-congratulatory rhetoric: Bold ideas are often watered down in Washington, so they end up as modest adornments rather than epic initiatives.

Chavarr Coppedge, 25, who works with third-graders at P.S. 207, will get on an early-morning train to go to the White House (his invitation came in a phone call from Hillary Clinton) as one of 150 AmeriCorps volunteers attending today's event. Coppedge, who attends Mercy College in the Bronx at night, explained that he was motivated to return to school, in part, to be a role model for his students.

"Kids ask you, 'Did you finish school?'" Coppedge said. "And I say that I'm still going. 'When?' they ask. When I tell them that I go at night, they see my dedication about schooling, and it rubs off."

Coppedge and Gibson are among the 35,000 AmeriCorps volunteers (the program will expand soon to 40,000) who receive an annual \$8,700 stipend and a \$4,725 tuition grant for each year of

service. But for each AmeriCorps recruit, there are roughly 999 other Americans in their teens and 20s who are working or going to school without taking part in the program. This modest ratio is a far cry from that envisioned by presidential candidate Clinton in 1991.

Approved by Congress in 1994 despite loud Republican opposition, AmeriCorps is a program that has come to equate success with mere survival. Even though in his budget Clinton proposed expanding it to 100,000 slots by 2002, AmeriCorps is to be funded at the same level as last year, \$439 million.

Former Pennsylvania senator Harris Wofford, who heads the Corporation for National Service, which oversees AmeriCorps, still talks in visionary terms about "making service a substantial kind of common experience for all Americans." He said in an interview: "A stake has now been planted in the ground for 100,000 slots. But I want to plot a way to get that number to 1 million."

But if AmeriCorps is ever to become more than an orphan program, a half-forgotten line in the federal budget, a future president must embrace voluntary national service with an unstinting passion. Clinton had that passion but lacked the political muscle. It would be hard for another president, even Al Gore, to put aside ego and make dramatic expansion of this program, so closely identified with Clinton, a major priority.

Unlike the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps programs are often semi-invisible, since volunteers are hired and sponsored by existing non-profit organizations. The recruits at P.S. 207 were attracted by the work of Harlem Peace Makers, a widely acclaimed community service organization built around non-violence.

Harlem Peace Makers, part of a larger entity called the Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families, deploys 30 AmeriCorps volunteers in three public schools. "It would be totally impossible for us to operate this program without AmeriCorps," said the group's founder, Geoffrey Canada. "But we'd love to be in every classroom and every gym and cafeteria, so that kids could be surrounded by caring adults for 15 hours a day."

A unique aspect of this Harlem program is that half the AmeriCorps volunteers in the schools are young men. "Most of the boys and girls in these schools have grown up without fathers," Canada explained. "Their ideas of what it is to be a man are based on TV, the movies and the streets. We're trying to change that image."

AmeriCorps deserves credit for the small daily triumphs achieved by Uganda Gibson and Chavarr Coppedge. But it is sad that at a time when the need is so great, the government's resources remain so small.

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AMERICORPS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

DATE: Wednesday, October 20, 1999
TIME: 12:35 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
LOCATION: State Dining Room

FROM: Thurgood Marshall, Jr. *T.M.*
Shirley Sagawa
Anne Bovaird *AMB*

I. PURPOSE

To celebrate the fifth anniversary of the AmeriCorps program and to thank the private sector supporters of AmeriCorps.

II. BACKGROUND

This fall, AmeriCorps celebrated its fifth anniversary having deployed nearly 150,000 citizens in service to more than 4,000 communities across the nation. The occasion of the fifth anniversary will kick off the All* AmeriCorps Award, new annual award that honors the efforts and accomplishments of the men and women who have devoted their energy and idealism to improve our communities and our nation since 1994. This lunch is an opportunity for **YOU** to thank the nonprofit, corporate and foundation partners of AmeriCorps who have contributed to the success of the program over the last five years.

During this lunch, Eli Segal and Deborah Jospin will present **YOU** with the Dan Dutko Award for Extraordinary Commitment to National Service on behalf of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. This presentation is intended to be a surprise to **YOU**. The President will refer to the award in his remarks at the celebration.

Following the luncheon, **YOU** will participate with the President in the AmeriCorps Fifth Anniversary celebration and the presentation of the first annual All* AmeriCorps Awards. **YOU** will unveil two new television advertisements by GSD&M which were commissioned by the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. **YOU** will also announce the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee's new web site, which was set up free of charge by Yahoo!. Other participants in the afternoon program include: Andre Crisp, AmeriCorps Member; General Colin Powell; Governor Mike Leavitt; Sargent Shriver; and Coretta Scott King.

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IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

Please note that several reporters have been invited to attend the lunch as guests.

V. REMARKS

To be provided by speechwriting.

VI. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

See attachment from Social Office.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- AmeriCorps Accomplishments
- Sequence of Events
- List of Accepted Guests

AmeriCorps: Five Years of Getting Things Done for America

Since 1994, some 150,000 men and women have answered AmeriCorps' call to service and have devoted a year to help change lives, rebuild communities and strengthen America. Together they have served millions of people in more than 4,000 communities.

- **Getting Things Done to Strengthen Communities:** Since 1994, AmeriCorps members have tutored and mentored more than 4 million children; started after-school programs serving more than 1 million at-risk youth; established or expanded more than 40,000 neighborhood safety patrols; helped build more than 11,000 homes; and helped communities rebuild after dozens of natural disasters in more than 30 states.
- **Instilling a lifetime ethic of service.** A recent independent study by Aguirre International found that the AmeriCorps experience reinforced and raised members' interest in serving their communities. Nearly all AmeriCorps members (99 percent) reported plans to continue some form of community service in the future, although only 56 percent of them reported involvement prior to serving. Many members were motivated to pursue careers in public service and community-oriented work.
- **Expanding Educational Opportunity:** Modeled on the GI Bill, AmeriCorps members earn educational opportunity – a \$4,725 scholarship that helps pay for college or training, or pay back student loans after completing a year of service. To date, AmeriCorps members have earned more than \$330 million in education awards.
- **Growing Bipartisan Support.** For the last two years, Congress has increased funding for AmeriCorps -- giving more young people the opportunity to serve their community. This year, the House and Senate conference committee voted to fund AmeriCorps at \$433.5 million -- approximately level funding at FY 99 level -- providing opportunities for more than 40,000 to serve.
- **Devolving Power to the States:** AmeriCorps is a model of devolution – it lets states and communities identify their own problems and the best solutions to them. Two-thirds of AmeriCorps funds are administered by governor-appointed state commissions. The remainder is administered by national nonprofits. Nonprofits must compete every year for AmeriCorps members, and they must set and meet tough goals at the local level.
- **Part of American Tradition of Service:** AmeriCorps is part of a long history of service in America, extending from President Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps to President Bush's Points of Light Foundation. In recent months, leading Republicans including Montana Governor Marc Racicot, Rep. John Kasich, Elizabeth Dole and others have voiced their support for AmeriCorps. Speaking to the National Governors Association, Powell called AmeriCorps "a tremendous investment in young people, a tremendous investment in their future."
- **Making Communities and Nonprofits Stronger:** AmeriCorps provides trained, dedicated people to help nonprofits such as Habitat for Humanity, the YMCA and the American Red Cross accomplish more and make more effective use of occasional volunteers. In five years, AmeriCorps members have helped recruit and supervise more than 2.5 million volunteers. More than 13,000 AmeriCorps members have served through faith-based organizations such as the Sisters of Notre Dame and the Catholic Network of Volunteer Services.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 19, 1999

AMERICORPS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

DATE: Wednesday, October 20, 1999
TIME: 1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
LOCATION: South Lawn Pavilion

FROM: Thurgood Marshall, Jr. *T.M.*
Shirley Sagawa
Anne Bovaird *AMB*

I. PURPOSE

To highlight the accomplishments of the thousands of AmeriCorps members who have served their country over the past five years and to congratulate the winners of the first annual All*AmeriCorps Awards. You will also issue a renewed “call to service” to the AmeriCorps alumni and announce steps to expand and strengthen the continuing service of former AmeriCorps members.

II. BACKGROUND

This fall, AmeriCorps celebrated its fifth anniversary having deployed nearly 150,000 citizens in service to more than 4,000 communities across the nation. At this event, **YOU** will kick off the All*AmeriCorps Award, a new annual award that honors the efforts and accomplishments of the men and women who have devoted their energy and idealism to improve our communities and our nation since 1994.

The 1999 All*AmeriCorps Awards will be given to a total of twenty-one winners in four different categories: Getting Things Done, Community Strengthening, Leadership and Common Ground. A panel of distinguished Americans chose the award winners from hundreds of finalists in a national competition.

YOU will issue a renewed “call to service” to former AmeriCorps members and seek to expand and strengthen the continuing service for these AmeriCorps alumni. **YOU** will announce the following specific actions: **YOU** will write to all former AmeriCorps members about their obligation and opportunities for continuing service to their community and their country; **YOU** will direct the Corporation for National Service to connect former AmeriCorps members to community service opportunities; and **YOU** will announce a strategic alliance between the Corporation for National Service and leading

non-profit organizations to engage former AmeriCorps members in significant volunteer roles.

In addition, the First Lady will unveil two new television advertisements created by GSD&M which were commissioned by the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. Mrs. Clinton will also announce the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee's new web site, which was set up free of charge by Yahoo!.

Prior to the awards presentation, the First Lady will host a lunch in the State Dining Room to thank the private sector supporters of AmeriCorps. Eli Segal and Deborah Jospin will present the First Lady with the Dan Dutko Award for Extraordinary Commitment to National Service on behalf of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

The First Lady
Andre Crisp, AmeriCorps Member
General Colin Powell
Governor Mike Leavitt
Sargent Shriver
Coretta Scott King
Harris Wofford
Eli Segal
150 NCCC AmeriCorps Members

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open Press

V. REMARKS

See remarks from Speechwriting

VI. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- **YOU** proceed to meet the First Lady outside the Map Room.
- **YOU** and the First Lady proceed to meet the program participants and other special guests in the Diplomatic Reception Room
- **YOU** and the First Lady, accompanied by the stage participants, proceed to the Entry Tent.
- Off-stage announcement of **YOU** and the First Lady, accompanied by Andre Crisp, General Colin Powell, Coretta Scott King, Governor Michael Leavitt, Sargent Shriver, Eli Segal and Harris Wofford.
- The First Lady makes remarks and introduces two AmeriCorps ads to be played on the large screens.

- Two AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee videotaped ads are played.
- The First Lady introduces AmeriCorps Member Andre Crisp.
- Andre Crisp makes brief remarks and introduces **YOU**.
- **YOU** make remarks and introduce General Colin Powell.
- General Powell makes brief remarks and introduces the winners of the “Getting Things Done” Award.
- Harris Wofford and Eli Segal present the award winners with their medals.
- **YOU** and the First Lady participate in a photo opportunity with each award winner.
- This process repeats three times as each of the following people present a different category of the All*AmeriCorps Award: Governor Leavitt (Leadership), Sargent Shriver (Community Strengthening) and Coretta Scott King (Common Ground).
- Following the fourth award presentation, **YOU** return to the podium and administer the AmeriCorps pledge to approximately 150 new National Civilian Community Corps members.
- **YOU** thank the guests for attending and acknowledge the Howard University Choir.
- Singing of *America the Beautiful*, led by the Howard University Choir.
- **YOU** and the First Lady depart.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- AmeriCorps Alumni Continuing Service Initiative
- Winners of All*AmeriCorps Awards List
- List of Meet and Greet Participants
- List of Accepted Guests

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AmeriCorps Alumni Continuing Service Initiative

Background

In taking the AmeriCorps pledge, each AmeriCorps member promises: "I will carry this commitment with me this year *and beyond*." Now that some 150,000 Americans have joined AmeriCorps, these former AmeriCorps members have become a great national resource, a large and influential pool of leaders for local communities and non-profit organizations.

As part of the AmeriCorps fifth anniversary commemoration, President Clinton will issue a renewed "call to service" to former AmeriCorps members and seek to expand and strengthen the continuing service for these AmeriCorps alumni. The President will announce the following specific actions: he will write to all former AmeriCorps members about their obligation and opportunities for continuing service to their community and their country; he will direct the Corporation for National Service to connect former AmeriCorps members to community service opportunities; and he will announce a strategic alliance between the Corporation for National Service and leading non-profit organizations to engage former AmeriCorps members in significant volunteer roles.

Specific Actions

The Corporation for National Service will immediately begin to develop a special registry of former AmeriCorps members who are interested in continuing volunteer service and to connect those AmeriCorps alumni with service opportunities. The goal will be to match the skills and experiences of AmeriCorps alumni with the needs of individual non-profit and educational allies.

Several leading non-profit organizations have agreed to help launch this initiative. These organizations, each of which has extensive experience with AmeriCorps members, will reach out to AmeriCorps alumni and provide them with significant opportunities for continuing volunteer service. The opportunity to participate in this initiative will be open to all interested organizations that have significant volunteer opportunities. The first organizations to agree to participate in this new initiative are:

The National Mentoring Partnership which will help former AmeriCorps members who want to establish mentoring relationships with young people through their alliance of three thousand mentoring organizations including Campfire Boys and Girls, Girl Scouts, Mentoring USA, and 100 Black Men, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of America;

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America which will offer service opportunities for former AmeriCorps members who want to establish a mentoring relationship with a young person through their five hundred local affiliates in over five thousand communities;

Habitat for Humanity International which will offer national, regional and leadership roles to former AmeriCorps members who want to help volunteers to build homes for low-income families, or to help recruit and organize other volunteers at Habitat building sites;

The American Red Cross which will enlist the assistance of former AmeriCorps members in disaster response, preparedness and recovery, health and safety programs, and community service especially by young people;

Boys and Girls Clubs which will reach out to former AmeriCorps members who have a special interest in volunteering in after-school activities for young people, especially in engaging young members of Boys and Girls Clubs in service to their communities;

America's Promise which will enlist AmeriCorps alumni who want to participate directly in the America's Promise campaign for children and youth by helping to fulfill the five basic promises made at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future;

Points of Light Foundation and its network of over 500 Volunteer Centers which will offer to former AmeriCorps members a wide range of opportunities to connect Americans through service in communities across the country; and

The United Way of America, which in partnership with member United Ways across the country, will connect AmeriCorps alumni with community building initiatives and community mobilizations for children, youth, and families.

Organizations participating in this initiative will have access to a special registry of AmeriCorps alumni that will provide a pool of experienced, potential volunteers. To participate, any interested non-profit organization will agree to provide AmeriCorps alumni with service opportunities and to restrict the purpose of their solicitation of former AmeriCorps members to service opportunities. Any non-profit organization that is interested in reaching out to AmeriCorps alumni and agrees to restrict their use of the alumni registry to service opportunities will be welcome to participate.

The Corporation for National Service will spell out the details of the agreement with participating organizations in the coming days.

Winners of All*AmeriCorps Awards

The fifth anniversary of AmeriCorps kicks off a new annual award that honors the efforts and accomplishments of the men and women who have served as AmeriCorps members. The AmeriCorps alumni who are being honored with the All*AmeriCorps Award represent the thousands of AmeriCorps members who have devoted their energy and idealism to improve communities and our nation. The All*AmeriCorps Award recognizes achievement in four categories: Getting Things Done, Strengthening Communities, Leadership and Common Ground.

- *Christine Packer*, while serving with the Idaho Immunization Project in **Boise, Idaho**, helped start a statewide effort that boosted the immunization rate for two-year-olds from 50 percent to 70 percent and drew her to a career in public health.
- *Traci Chevraux* developed school-based health initiatives, including Smoke Free Sheridan, a comprehensive campaign to reduce smoking among school-aged children in **Sheridan, Colorado**.
- *Lin Min Kong*, a lawyer serving with the National Service Legal Corps in **Los Angeles**, helped low-income residents of run-down public housing purchase their buildings and renovate them into safe and affordable housing.
- *Toni Sage* started a tutoring project in **Salt Lake City** and brought together local students and residents to turn a vacant lot into a safe place for children and their families.
- *James Boland*, a Marine veteran and AmeriCorps member with the National Collaboration for Homeless Veterans in **West Haven, Connecticut**, developed mentoring, family, and crisis programs for veterans in the very facility that had helped him 12 years earlier when he was a homeless veteran.
- *Jack Bridges*, after finishing college out of state, returned home to **Americus, Georgia** to care for his mother. As an AmeriCorps member with Habitat for Humanity, he helped launch a partnership that now engages more than 600 AmeriCorps members in building decent, affordable housing in thousands of communities.
- *Scott Finn* graduated from Harvard University before serving in **Big Ugly Creek, West Virginia**, where he transformed an abandoned school building into a community center with after-school and summer programs.
- *Tera Oglesby* developed the **Seattle Police Department's** first victim support team, offering a range of emergency and long-term services for victims of crime and abuse.
- *Anna Severens*, serving in **Reno, Nevada**, ran a free mobile preschool program operating out of a converted school bus, called COW (Classroom on Wheels). She helped double the number of children served through the program.
- *Byrnadett Frerker* of the St. Louis Safety Corps in **St. Louis, Missouri**, provided disaster relief

to families and communities in the wake of wildfires in Florida, a hurricane in Mississippi, floods in Missouri, and, most recently, Hurricane Floyd in North Carolina.

- *Kyoko Henson* started summer youth programs in **Pittsburgh**, launched a family tutoring program, coordinated community service projects, and now is pursuing a master's degree in social work at the University of Pittsburgh.
- *Kelton Young* served with the Youth Crime Commission in **Fort Worth, Texas**, where he helped turn young people away from gangs, started eighteen TRUCE sites serving more than 200 young people each, and engaged young people in activities through local YMCAs.
- *Mason Jenkins* served with YouthBuild of **New Bedford, Massachusetts**, where he built low-income housing, helped start a grassroots organization to address youth issues and coordinated a conference to open discussions between young people and public servants on the issues that affect them.
- *Maria del Mar Bosch* trained tutors in Head Start centers in **Puerto Rico** and launched after-school programs for older children, including a leadership program that gives them a chance to give back to their communities through service.
- *Jason Lupeituu*, serving in **Pine Island, Minnesota**, turned an old laundromat into the Pine Island Union of Youth, Inc., the community's only youth center.
- *Arthur White* grew up in poverty and lived on his own from the age of 15. While serving with an AmeriCorps environmental education program in **New Hampshire**, he worked with a tutoring specialist to improve his own reading and writing skills so he could better help young people.
- *Christy Hicks* served with the 4-H Youth Program in **Pontiac, Michigan**, where she started a conflict resolution program for middle school students.
- *Mark Payne* served with both City Year and Public Allies in **Chicago**, where he recruited young African-American males to volunteer and serve as role models for others in his Southside neighborhood.
- *Jamie Lee Manning* organized city-wide service events in **San Jose** for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday that brought together thousands of people from diverse backgrounds in hands-on community service projects to honor Dr. King's legacy and teachings.
- *Trampas Stucker*, serving with the Washington Service Corps in his hometown of **Tonasket, Washington**, brought the special perspectives of those living with physical and learning disabilities to teach reading and math to economically disadvantaged, rural elementary school students.
- *Graciela Noriega* served with the Center for Drug Free Living in **Orlando, Florida**, where she started Culture Shock, an education program for the city's young people that has now reached youth in other countries through an international pen pal program.

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
REMARKS FOR AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY
THE WHITE HOUSE
OCTOBER 20, 1999**

Welcome to the White House. And welcome to this celebration of a remarkable anniversary for America. Five years ago, the first AmeriCorps members stood on the White House lawn and gave life to a cherished idea of the President's - and all of us here.

It was the idea that America's young people were not the cynics and slackers the pundits said they were. Instead, our young people were idealists and patriots eager to do and be a part of something bigger than themselves, to take responsibility and make a difference in their communities. We only needed to find some way to unleash that potential.

National Service -- giving more Americans the opportunity to earn money for college as they served their communities -- was one of the reasons Bill Clinton ran for President. It remains one of his proudest achievements. And today we see why. In just five years, 150,000 Americans have joined AmeriCorps. They've helped to immunize more than one million people, taught, tutored or mentored 4.4 million children, built some 11,000 homes, and led our nation in a true Season of Service.

And all across the country, I have seen AmeriCorps members in action - helping hurricane victims rebuild their homes and lives; wiring community centers for the Internet; training child care workers. And I've met some extraordinary people. People like Loc Truong who came to America as a refugee from Vietnam and joined AmeriCorps so that he could give something back to the country that helped his family in their neediest hours. Today, after serving as a mentor to at-risk teens, Loc is studying for a masters degree in guidance and counseling. Or Ashley Dumas who, after graduating from college, taught GED classes and provided child care in a shelter for single mothers in South Boston. Or Colin Yost, [rhymes with TOAST] who taught needy families how to conserve energy and prevent lead poisoning in Portland, Oregon and used his AmeriCorps award to help pay for law school.

In short, the young people of AmeriCorps are getting things done. But even more than

“getting things done,” they are strengthening our democracy – and building what the political scientists call “civil society.” In America, citizenship has always meant more than paying taxes, more than going to work and obeying the law. Citizenship is built on the belief that we are responsible for one another, that we meet our challenges not through government alone, or as isolated individuals, but as a true community – all of us working together.

Over the years, I have had the privilege of representing America in the world’s newest democracies – places where people are just beginning to understand the benefits and responsibilities of freedom. And wherever I go, they ask me how America has been able to make our democracy work for so many years, how for all of our diversity, we have been able to remain united and free.

So I tell them about our tradition of citizen service. And I tell them about AmeriCorps. Through national service, our young people are learning firsthand the power of civic action. They see playgrounds controlled by drug dealers or neighborhoods devastated by tornadoes, and rather than throwing up their hands in despair or waiting for someone else to take care of things, they are rolling up their sleeves and getting to work. They are saying with confidence, “I can help.”

And they are learning that much more unites us than divides us. By serving together – suburban teenagers next to young people from the inner-city next to kids who grew up on farms -- AmeriCorps members are learning that what matters most is not your politics or the color of your skin, but your ability to get things done -- to hammer a nail, to teach a child to spell, to have an open heart and extend a helping hand.

So I thank all of you for rekindling the spirit of democracy, for revitalizing our communities and our community spirit these past five years. AmeriCorps, its members, and all of you who believe in the spirit of citizen service are the reason why America is strong on the eve of the 21st Century.

[Video Introduction] And now it is my pleasure to introduce the TV portion of our program. One of AmeriCorps' greatest strengths is that it is not just a government program, but a partnership with states, with nonprofit and community organizations, and with private sector donors.

A year ago, a group of private sector friends of AmeriCorps joined together to see what they could do to ensure that this fifth anniversary was a true celebration. This group was led by our good friends Eli Segal, Alan Solomont, and Dan Dutko. Sadly, Dan died in a tragic accident this summer. We miss his wisdom, his energy and commitment to this cause. I know he is here with us in spirit.

The Anniversary Committee has partnered with Yahoo! to develop a new website celebrating AmeriCorps. And the ads we are about to see are the result of their work with

GSD&M and Peter Hart and Associates. These ads feature what I think is the perfect slogan for AmeriCorps: Taking Responsibility Personally. That is what every AmeriCorps member does every day. I hope you enjoy these ads as much as I do.

[Introduce Andre Crisp]

No one could better express what AmeriCorps has meant to our communities – and to its members -- than someone who is currently serving today. It is my honor to introduce Andre Crisp, a young man who – with a great deal of courage, hard work, and spirit -- is changing the world and transforming his own life through AmeriCorps.

Andre --

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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS AT AMERICORPS 5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
THE WHITE HOUSE
October 20, 1999

Acknowledge: introducer Andre Crisp; Mrs. Clinton: A few minutes ago, in a very moving presentation, the AmeriCorps Fifth Anniversary Committee presented my wife with an award for her passionate commitment to AmeriCorps. The award was named in honor of Dan Dutko, one of the best friends AmeriCorps ever had. Long before the Lord called him to heaven, he had become our guardian angel on earth. I am sure he is shining down on us today.

Debbie Jospin; Harris Wofford; Eli Segal; AmeriCorps members, alumni, and friends; 21 winners of the first annual All*AmeriCorps Awards; distinguished award presenters: Gen. Colin Powell, Mrs. Coretta Scott King; Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt, the Honorable Sargent Shriver, about all of whom I will say much more in a few moments; employees of the Corporation for National Service; Howard University choir.

Five years ago, on the North Lawn of the White House, I had the honor of leading the very first class of AmeriCorps members in the AmeriCorps pledge. As these courageous and idealistic men and women spoke in unison, answering their nation's call to service with one booming voice, I knew we were looking at America's next generation of heroes. It was a moment I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

But let us remember that day with appropriate humility. For on that day, AmeriCorps was little more than a good idea and a solid plan. Yes, it was rooted in Sargent Shriver's success with the Peace Corps and VISTA and in the remarkable service corps I had seen in Boston, San Antonio, Los Angeles, and other cities. Yes, it was championed by some of the most passionate leaders and thinkers and doers from both political parties. And yes, it was energized by 20,000 young people raring to give something back to the country that had given much to them. But it was still just the beginning of a journey. On that day on the North Lawn, there were just as many butterflies as there were flags and smiles and hugs.

Five years later, AmeriCorps is more than an incandescent idea. Thanks to so many of you here today, AmeriCorps is a glowing success.

You have already heard the statistics – the millions of children tutored, homes built, parks revitalized, lives touched. You have heard that a remarkable 150,000 people have joined AmeriCorps in just five years. But, of course, mere statistics cannot do justice to the profound, and often unheralded, ways AmeriCorps members are getting things done for America.

In fact, my only regret today is that I can't take every single person here today who has not had already had a chance, to see AmeriCorps members in the field. There, you would see, in the most tangible ways, how these young people are living up to the highest obligations of citizenship – how they are creating opportunity, taking responsibility, fostering community.

You would see skill, and sweat, and accomplishment. You would see leaders using their brains, not just their brawn – never giving in to the notion that it can't be done because it's never

been done before. You would see how members' infectious optimism inspires other people in the community to invest themselves and lend a hand. You would see teamwork and camaraderie – perhaps the strongest antidote to the kind of alienation that produced the tragedy in Littleton. You would see kids who went to Ivy League schools and kids who dropped out of high school working side by side, serving together, giving together. You would see that Dr. King's Dream of a Beloved Community is alive and well.

I want to give you just one vivid illustration of what I mean. On his very first day as an AmeriCorps member in southern West Virginia, Scott Finn heard that local residents had a dream of cleaning up a boarded-up old school and turning it into a center of community life. The school had no electricity or running water. It was a complete wreck inside and out – not just an eye sore but a place that invited drugs and crime.

So Scott, fresh out of college, put together a team of volunteers and provided the spark to get things done – from hauling water out of a nearby creek to mop the floors to negotiating a lease to raising \$50,000 in grants. Today, that new community center has a lending library, a gym, a safe playground. It serves as a meeting place for dances, gospel concerts, after-school programs, and a Boy Scout Troop. It is a tremendous source of community pride. Scott is here with us today. In a few moments, he will receive a well-deserved All*AmeriCorps Award.

I've always said that there is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured by what is right with America. Well, AmeriCorps members are what is right with America. In community after community, AmeriCorps members are rising above and beyond the call of duty, the call of service, the call country. They are taking responsibility personally. [*This is the AmeriCorps anniversary slogan.*]

Today, we will help ensure that AmeriCorps members can exercise that responsibility for a lifetime. Like returned Peace Corps Volunteers and military veterans, former AmeriCorps members represent a huge national resource. So, to mark this anniversary, we are establishing a new Office of Continuing Service within the Corporation for National Service. In partnership with Habitat for Humanity, the American Red Cross, the Boys and Girls Clubs, America's Promise, and other national organizations, this new Continuing Service office will connect former AmeriCorps members with service opportunities wherever they now live. AmeriCorps is already 150,000 people strong. And two years from now, I want to add another 100,000 members every single year. AmeriCorps members and alums are quickly becoming one of the largest pools of compassion and skill ever assembled in America's communities.

There is no question in my mind that America has discovered what an indispensable force AmeriCorps members and alumni already are. After years of fights over funding for AmeriCorps, peace has broken out. It seems like every day there's a new show of support from a Republican in Congress who once opposed the program. AmeriCorps members have proven that they are one of the smartest and best investments America can make.

At the front of the parade in support of AmeriCorps are governors of both political parties – leaders like Mike Leavitt who know first-hand how AmeriCorps members are setting off chain reactions of civic involvement and pride. In fact, today I am proud to announce that I am appointing to the Corporation for National Service Board not only Mark Gearan, our outstanding former director of the Peace Corps; I am also appointing Montana Governor Marc Racicot [ross-KO], who has convinced many fellow Republicans that their initial fears of an entrenched,

expensive, Washington-run bureaucracy were absolutely misplaced. I want to thank both Marks for answering the call to service, once again.

AmeriCorps proves that we can get things done for America when we work together, across party lines. It gives just a glimpse of the season of progress we could usher in if we are willing to put partisan differences aside and work together for the common good. Right now, in the midst of battles over the budget, we need reminders like this. Because there are some values that are just too important for us to let them get trapped in partisan games. Like the value of helping all our children live up to their God-given talents in high-tech, high-quality schools.

As you well know, America's public schools now have the largest and most diverse student body in our history. When those children graduate, they will inherit a complex economy that values learning and skills more than ever before. For their sake, and for the sake of our continued prosperity and leadership in the world, education must be America's number one priority – no ifs, no ands, no cuts.

That means instead of fighting attempts to reduce funding for our public schools, we should be spending our time working together to strengthen them. By reducing class size and fulfilling our commitment to add 100,000 highly trained teachers to the classroom. By building or modernizing 6,000 schools. By insisting on strict accountability. By expanding Head Start and getting thousands more young children off on the right foot. By ensuring that our children are Y2K ready with computers and Internet access throughout their schools. By keeping schools open after school and in the summer to give kids a safe place to learn.

We know our children need all these things. And we know we can do all these things – without touching a dime of the Social Security surplus – if we just work together. Yes, there are differences of opinion. But I want to work with the Congressional leadership. Together, we can give our children the best education in the world.

So before I introduce the distinguished Americans who will present the All*AmeriCorps Awards, I want to say, again, how grateful I am to all of you who are helping to lift AmeriCorps above partisan politics. I especially want to thank those of you who expressed sincere reservations five years ago and then had the follow-through and the courage to take an honest look at AmeriCorps in action.

But most of all, I am grateful to the AmeriCorps members who have lived up to their pledge and gone far beyond. By taking your service personally, you have breathed new life into our democracy. You have sparked a new patriotism among a new generation of Americans. You have helped strengthen the cords that bind us together as a people. You have helped us remember, in the quiet of every night, that what each of us can become is to determine what whether all of us can become what God meant us to be.

And now, it is my great honor to introduce our four presenters. I will say a few words about each, and then they will take it from there.

Immediately after her husband was struck down on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel, Coretta Scott King knew it was up to her to keep the dream alive. So despite her grief, she boarded a plane for Memphis to address the same striking workers her husband had come to the city to help. She told them, "We are going to continue his work to make all people truly free."

Mrs. King has done so in every possible way. By leading marches. By giving hundreds of impassioned speeches – not only for racial justice but for human rights and gay equality. By founding the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change. By leading the efforts to create the national holiday in her husband's memory – and by helping to turn that holiday into a day of service, not a day of rest. There is simply no one in America who is better suited to present the All*AmeriCorps "Common Ground" Award.

Sargent Shriver often describes himself as a lucky man, having cheated death and having been graced with a wife and children as wonderful as his. But I believe the luck is ours – for never was a more compassionate man put on this earth to serve. Not only was Sarge America's founding Peace Corps and VISTA director. He served in the Navy in World War II, created Head Start and the Job Corps and Legal Services, led the Special Olympics, served as Ambassador to France, ran for President and Vice President, led the Chicago Board of Education, fostered civil rights and economic opportunity and religious faith. On top of it all, he is one of the warmest and most unassuming people you'll ever meet. We are honored – and lucky – to have him here today to present the All*AmeriCorps Award for "Community Strengthening."

Mike Leavitt, the Governor of Utah and the new chairman of the National Governors' Association, has become one of the most popular leaders in Utah history. His commitment to service is one important reason why. Two years ago, in a rally with Gen. Colin Powell, Gov. Leavitt launched Utah's Promise, a statewide effort to mobilize all citizens to action. Already it is yielding remarkable results – in increasing literacy, in creating youth service teams, in recruiting and training more caring foster parents. Gov. Leavitt has also led pathbreaking efforts to preserve Utah's quality of life during a time of rapid economic growth and to improve Utah's public schools – reducing class sizes, increasing teacher pay, and equipping Utah's classrooms for the 21st century. Today, it is only fitting that he present the All*AmeriCorps Award for Leadership.

And finally, Gen. Colin Powell. In 1993, Gen. Powell – Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, architect of the great American victory in Desert Storm, and former National Security Advisor to the President – retired from military service. Because of his courage and accomplishment, Gen. Powell became only the second American citizen in the history of the republic to be awarded two Presidential Medals of Freedom. But that was just the first act in Colin Powell's remarkable life. He has gone on to serve his country as the leader of America's Promise, the national crusade to give every single child in America the nurturing and support they need. Already, Colin Powell and his troops, including many AmeriCorps members, have touched the lives of more than 10 million children. Gen. Powell used to say that he was first and foremost an infantryman. I think he is first and foremost a true American hero.

Gen. Powell, the podium is yours.

[After all the awards have been presented, you will return to the podium for brief, informal closing remarks and to lead the newest AmeriCorps members in their pledge.]

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY LUNCH
THE WHITE HOUSE
OCTOBER 20, 1999**

Talking Points

- Five years ago, the first AmeriCorps members stood here at the White House and, repeating after the President, “pledged to get things done for America.”
- And in just five years – those first members have grown to more than 150,000 young people who have answered the Call to Service, and transformed America one child, one school, one community at a time.
- The President has said that AmeriCorps is one of his proudest achievements. And when I think of the AmeriCorps members I have met these past five years – idealistic young people filled with the “can do” spirit, I know why. I have seen AmeriCorps members in action – helping hurricane victims rebuild their homes and lives; teaching children to read in some of our neediest schools; wiring community centers for the internet; training child care workers; and building houses for the homeless with Habitat for Humanity and Youthbuild. In

short, they are getting things done.

- And I have seen how AmeriCorps has also made a difference in the lives of its members –helping them earn money for college or pay back student loans; helping members from all walks of life gain a greater understanding of each other and the diverse communities we live in.

- Today is our opportunity to thank the people who made all this possible. First, our nonprofit partners – including America’s Promise, the Points of Light Foundation, Youth Service America, and AmeriCorps Alums. Thank you for your strong support.

- Next, our corporate and foundation partners. Some of you have worked with us from the very beginning, by supporting local initiatives or national programs – like the Ford Foundation, GE, the Kellogg Foundation, the Kauffman Foundation, and the Irvine Foundation, to name a few.

- And some of you are supporting an effort to make the program that has been described as “the best kept secret in Washington” more visible – I especially want to thank Danny Abraham with Slimfast Foods, Archer Daniels Midland, Yahoo, AOL, and Nokia, along with my good friends Jill Iscol and Nancy Rubin for all they have done.

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develop television ads, which we will be previewing at the ceremony in a few minutes; with Peter Hart and his associates to refine the message and learn what the American people like best about AmeriCorps; and with Morgan Binswanger at the Creative Artists Foundation to develop a television special – which we hope to premiere in the coming months.

- I first met with the committee's organizers almost a year ago -- and I could not have met a more enthusiastic, energetic and committed group of people. One of the committee's leaders was my good friend Dan Dutko. I know that we all wish that Dan Dutko could have lived to see this day. He brought to this Committee a great creative mind, his wide network of friends and colleagues, and a passion to help out whenever he was needed. His tragic death was a tremendous loss for all of us. I know we would not be here today had it not been for him.
- Eli Segal and Alan Solomont have continued the work of the Committee in Dan's absence and I am deeply grateful to them both.
- I particularly want to thank Eli Segal. As many of you know Eli heads the Welfare-to-Work Partnership, another great success story. But today, I want to thank him for leading today's celebration and most of all, for his pivotal role in creating AmeriCorps – guiding the legislation through Congress and then serving as the first CEO of the Corporation for National Service. We will hear from Eli shortly.
- But first, it is my pleasure to thank and introduce the current CEO of the Corporation for National Service, Harris Wofford. After a long and distinguished career in public service, Harris agreed a few

years ago to lead AmeriCorps into the 21st Century. We are so lucky he did. Harris has guided AmeriCorps through some of its toughest hours in Congress. By reaching across the aisle, Harris has built even stronger bipartisan support for the program and developed strong partnerships with many of the nonprofit organizations here today. Harris – please come up and say a few words.

Chavarr

takes illiteracy personally.

That's why he tutors elementary school students in Harlem. Chavarr is one of 150,000 AmeriCorps members who have taken responsibility for their communities. Together these young people devote a year of their lives to making a difference. AmeriCorps. Building stronger communities and a stronger country.

AmeriCorps. Taking responsibility personally. SM



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Hannah

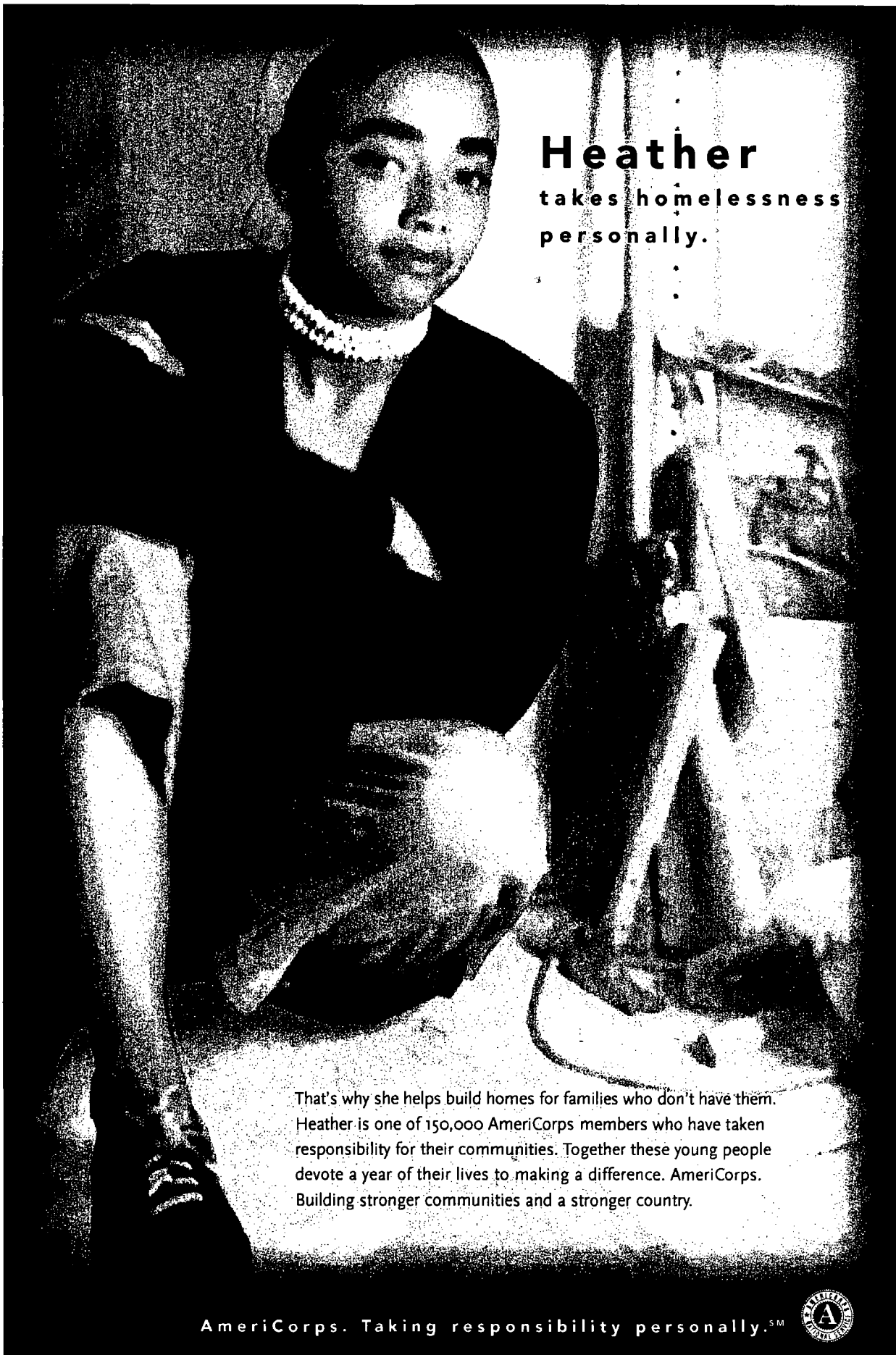
takes poverty personally.

That's why she helps kids from the inner city get to college. Hannah is one of 150,000 AmeriCorps members who have taken responsibility for their communities. Together these young people devote a year of their lives to making a difference. AmeriCorps. Building stronger communities and a stronger country.

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Heather

takes homelessness
personally.

That's why she helps build homes for families who don't have them.
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October 19, 1999

AMERICORPS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

DATE: Wednesday, October 20, 1999
TIME: 12:35 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
LOCATION: State Dining Room

FROM: Thurgood Marshall, Jr.
Shirley Sagawa
Anne Bovaird

I. PURPOSE

To celebrate the fifth anniversary of the AmeriCorps program and to thank the private sector supporters of AmeriCorps.

II. BACKGROUND

This fall, AmeriCorps celebrated its fifth anniversary having deployed nearly 150,000 citizens in service to more than 4,000 communities across the nation. The occasion of the fifth anniversary will kick off the All*AmeriCorps Award, new annual award that honors the efforts and accomplishments of the men and women who have devoted their energy and idealism to improve our communities and our nation since 1994. This lunch is an opportunity for **YOU** to thank the nonprofit, corporate and foundation partners of AmeriCorps who have contributed to the success of the program over the last five years.

During this lunch, Eli Segal and Deborah Jospin will present **YOU** with the Dan Dutko Award for Extraordinary Commitment to National Service on behalf of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. This presentation is intended to be a surprise to **YOU**. The President will refer to the award in his remarks at the celebration.

Following the luncheon, **YOU** will participate with the President in the AmeriCorps Fifth Anniversary celebration and the presentation of the first annual All*AmeriCorps Awards. **YOU** will unveil two new television advertisements by GSD&M which were commissioned by the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. **YOU** will also announce the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee's new web site, which was set up free of charge by Yahoo!. Other participants in the afternoon program include: Andre Crisp, AmeriCorps

Member; General Colin Powell; Governor Mike Leavitt; Sargent Shriver; and Coretta Scott King.

III. PARTICIPANTS

YOU

Harris Wofford, CEO, Corporation for National Service

Eli Segal, President and CEO, Welfare to Work Partnership

Deborah Jospin, Director of AmeriCorps, Corporation for National Service

IV. PRESS PLAN

Closed Press.

Please note that several reporters have been invited to attend the lunch as guests.

V. REMARKS

To be provided by speechwriting.

VI. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

See attachment from Social Office.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- AmeriCorps Accomplishments
- Sequence of Events
- List of Accepted Guests

TALKING POINTS FOR AMERICORPS LUNCH

October 20, 1999

- It's hard to imagine that six years ago, when the President signed the bill into law, AmeriCorps was just an idea – an idea intended to capture the idealism of young Americans and blend it with a practical “get things done” approach that has sustained this country through its hardest times. A way to build community, create opportunity, and encourage responsibility.
- And it's hard to imagine that just five years ago, the first AmeriCorps members were sworn in here at the White House (one of the few events we have held on the North Portico, due to the fact that a plane had tragically crashed on the South Lawn that morning).
- Now here we are celebrating the fifth anniversary of the program. You know, when the President signed the bill, he said that there was no achievement that made him prouder (need exact quote). Well, seeing what these AmeriCorps members have accomplished has surpassed that achievement many times over.
- As I've travelled around the country, I have found AmeriCorps working – relieving the distress of hurricane victims; tutoring students in schools that can't even afford text books; wiring schools and community centers for internet access; conducting home visits for the HIPPI program; training child care workers; and building houses for the homeless with Habitat for Humanity and Youthbuild.
- And I've met some extraordinary people. For some, AmeriCorps offered a second chance after they had dropped out of high school; for others, their service made it possible to fulfill the dream of going to college; and for still others, it made it possible to experience the joy of helping others and still be able to pay back student loans. I've met Frankie Gomez, an assemblyline worker from Providence who today is in medical school preparing to become a pediatrician, thanks to AmeriCorps. And I've met Tran Loc, [fill in]. And [need one more from state of the union or other source – will get on Monday.]
- Today is our opportunity to thank the people who made this all possible. First, our nonprofit partners – including America's Promise, [need to list some who will be in the room]. Thank you for believing that AmeriCorps could work for the people you serve.
- Next, our corporate and foundation partners. Some of you have worked with us from the very beginning, by supporting local initiatives or national programs – like the Ford Foundation, IBM, and [fill in]. And some of you are supporting an effort to make what has been described as “the best kept secret in Washington” more visible – I especially want to thank Danny Abraham with Slimfast Foods, Archer Daniels Midland, Yahoo, AOL, [list others].
- This effort to make AmeriCorps more visible as we celebrate this milestone is the work of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. I first met with the committee's organizers almost a year ago and I could not have been more enthusiastic about the idea. Since that time, the Committee has worked with Yahoo to create a state of the art website about AmeriCorps; with Roy Spence and his colleagues at GSD&M to develop television ads, which we will be previewing at the ceremony in a few minutes; with Peter Hart and his associates to refine the message and learn what the American people like best about AmeriCorps; and with Morgan Binswanger at the Creative Artists Foundation to develop a television special which is in the works.
- One sad note on what is otherwise a day of celebration is that one of the Committee's co-chairs, Dan Dutko, is not with us due to his untimely death. Dan was a good friend to Bill and me, and to AmeriCorps. He brought to the task of organizing the Committee his great creative mind, his wide network of friends and colleagues, and his passion to help out whenever he was needed. I know we would not be here today had it not been for the commitment and caring and energy he brought to the

task.

- I do want to thank Alan Solomont, who has served as Committee co-chair. [need to say something else about Alan].
- And I particularly want to thank Eli Segal, who heads the Welfare-to-Work Partnership, another great success story, but deserves our thanks both for his excellent work in starting up AmeriCorps – guiding the legislation through Congress and then leaving the White House to become the first CEO of the Corporation for National Service; and for his leadership of the AmeriCorps Anniversary Committee. We will hear from Eli shortly.
- But first, it is my pleasure to thank and introduce to you the current CEO of the Corporation for National Service, Harris Wofford. Harris has guided AmeriCorps through some of its toughest hours, as it became a target of House Republicans and its fate was not at all secure. By reaching across the aisle, Harris has build even stronger bipartisan support for the program and developed strong partnerships with many of the nonprofit organizations here today. Harris – please come up and say a few words.

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from Shuler

PRESIDENT CLINTON: A LIFETIME COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

Celebrating the 5th Anniversary of AmeriCorps

Today, the President and the First Lady will host an audience of over 1,000 current and former AmeriCorps members as well as supporters of the program to celebrate the 5th anniversary of AmeriCorps. Since September 1994, when President Clinton ^{swore in first} signed the AmeriCorps bill, more than 150,00 AmeriCorps members have served in over 4,000 communities across the country providing much need community assistance from tutoring and mentoring to disaster relief and environmental work. Today, the President will first recognize 21 AmeriCorps members for their extraordinary commitment to community service. Second, he will unveil a new initiative to engage AmeriCorps alumni ⁱⁿ continuing service to their communities. Third, he will highlight the support AmeriCorps receives from all sectors. And, finally, he will call on Congress to continue supporting the values of the American public as they finish the FY 2000 budget.

RECONGIZING OUTSTANDING SERVICE

- **First Annual All-AmeriCorps Award Winners.** Today, the President will announce the first annual All-AmeriCorps awards designed to honor the extraordinary contribution AmeriCorps members make to their communities every day. Awards will be presented in four categories to honor twenty-one AmeriCorps members for getting things done, strengthening communities, leadership, and building common ground. Awards will be presented by national leaders that exemplify these qualities: Colin Powell, Governor Michael Leavitt, Coretta Scott King, and Sergeant Shriver.

UNVEILING AN INITIATIVE TO SUPPORT AMERICORPS ALUMS IN CONTINUING TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNITIES

- **Continuing Service Initiative for AmeriCorps Alums.** In taking the AmeriCorps pledge, each AmeriCorps member promises: "I will carry this commitment with me this year *and beyond.*" As part of the AmeriCorps fifth anniversary commemoration, President Clinton will issue a renewed "call to service" to the over 150,000 former AmeriCorps members and seek to expand and strengthen the continuing service for these AmeriCorps alumni. The President will announce the following specific actions: he will write to all former AmeriCorps members about their obligation and opportunities for continuing service to their community and their country; he will direct the Corporation for National Service to connect former AmeriCorps members to community service opportunities; and he will announce a strategic alliance between the Corporation for National Service and leading non-profit organizations to engage former AmeriCorps members in significant volunteer roles. This alliance will include the National Mentoring Partnership; the Big Brothers Big Sisters of America; the Habitat for Humanity International; the American Red Cross; the Boys and Girls Clubs; America's Promise; the Points of Light Foundation; and the United Way of America.

RECONGNIZING SUPPORT FROM ALL SECTORS

- **New Corporation for National Service Board Members.** The President will announce that he is appointing two new members to the Corporation for National Service Board. Governor Marc Racicot, Republican Governor of Montana, and Mark Gearan, former Director of the Peace Corps. Governor Racicot and Mark Gearan are representative of the fact that a commitment to community service cuts across political and organizational boundaries.
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- **AmeriCorps Visibility Campaign.** Today, the President will roll-out two thirty second television spots highlighting a new ad campaign, "Taking Responsibility Personally," and a web-site designed by Yahoo! to help tell the stories of AmeriCorps members and promote information about AmeriCorps through the web site.

CALLING FOR A BUDGET THAT REFLECTS OUR VALUES

- **President Signs VA-HUD Appropriations bill.** President Clinton will sign the VA-HUD appropriations bill today. The bill includes funding for AmeriCorps and represents the ability of Congress to set priorities in line with the American people – demonstrating a commitment to community service. Unfortunately, Congress did not, however, honor the President's request to increase the appropriations for AmeriCorps thus moving closer to the goal of 100,000 AmeriCorps members serving each year.
- **President Urges Congress to listen to the American people and make education a top priority.** Today, President Clinton urged Congress to make education a top priority as they finish negotiations on the Labor-HHS-ED appropriations bill. The American public has made it clear that improving public education should be a number one priority for Congress and the Administration. Unfortunately, Congress has cut education funding instead of supporting the President's request for funding to support his goal of hiring 100,000 teacher to reduce class-sizes in the early grades, to invest in accountability in order to help turn around failing schools, and to meet the demand for quality after-school programs.

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Dear Former AmeriCorps Member,

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Along with ~~some~~ 150,000 other AmeriCorps members you have turned the idea of national service into a reality. Together you have made a difference in thousands of communities and in the lives of millions of Americans. The measure of your success is in the children mentored and tutored, the volunteers recruited, trained and organized, the homes built and renovated, the schools repaired, the neighborhoods made safe, the parks restored, the natural disasters to which you responded, and the ways you raised the spirits of those you helped.

In your service you saw first-hand the ~~big~~ challenges that confront our communities and our country. More than ever, we need ~~citizens~~ ^{Americans} who are willing to step forward to take responsibility personally. Like veterans of military service and returned Peace Corps volunteers, AmeriCorps alumni have special experience that can be a powerful force for good in our country. On the day you were sworn into AmeriCorps, you promised to "carry this commitment with me this year *and beyond*." Today, I urge you to make good on this promise and to put the skills you developed as an AmeriCorps member to work in sustained volunteer service.

To help you answer this renewed "call to service," I have asked the Corporation for National Service to assist you in finding powerful and challenging volunteer opportunities. First, the Corporation will establish a registry of former AmeriCorps members who are interested in continued volunteer service and who want to connect with special volunteer opportunities. Second, the Corporation will make agreements with leading non-profit organizations that want to tap the experience of former AmeriCorps members. The Corporation will then share the names of interested former AmeriCorps members with those organizations.

To sign up for the AmeriCorps Alumni Volunteer Registry, please [WHAT?].

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In addition, I urge ^{you} to contact the AmeriCorps Alums, a private organization not affiliated with the Corporation, for additional service opportunities, and to stay in touch with your colleagues. Information about AmeriCorps Alums can be found at www.americorpsalums.org.

Thank you for the work you have already done as an AmeriCorps member to build the American community. You are among the new leaders of our country for the 21st century. As you fulfill your goals for your own life, I hope you will also use the experience and skills you gained as an AmeriCorps member to continue to make a difference in your community.

Sincerely,

William Jefferson Clinton

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
REMARKS FOR AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY
THE WHITE HOUSE
OCTOBER 20, 1999**

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Enabling you to go on to serve a year or more to help country while earning money for college

Bringing AmeriCorps to life became one of the reasons Bill Clinton ran for President – and today it remains one of his proudest achievements. In just five years, 150,000 Americans have served or are serving in AmeriCorps – ~~that's more people than have served in the Peace Corps over the past 38 years~~. They've immunized more than 1 million people, taught, tutored or mentored 4.4 million children, built some 11,000 homes, and led our nation in a true Season of Service. In short, they are getting things done.

But even more than "getting things done," they are strengthening our democracy – and building what the political scientists call "civil society." In America, citizenship has always meant more than paying taxes, more than going to work and obeying the law. Citizenship is built on the belief that we are responsible for one another, that we meet our challenges not through government alone, or as isolated individuals, but as a true community – all of us working together.

Over the years, I have had the privilege of representing America in so many of the

world's newest democracies – places where people are just beginning to understand the benefits and responsibilities of freedom. And wherever I go, they ask me how America has been able to make our democracy work for so many years, how for all of our diversity, we have been able to remain united and free. ~~I tell them about AmeriCorps.~~

Through AmeriCorps, our young people are learning firsthand the power of civil society and civic action. They see playgrounds controlled by drug dealers or neighborhoods devastated by hurricanes, and rather than throwing up their hands in despair or waiting for someone else to take care of things, they are rolling up their sleeves and getting to work. They are saying with confidence, “I can help.”

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Fax To Anne Baivard

REMARKS FOR HARRIS WOFFORD**AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE LUNCHEON****October 20, 1999**

THANK YOU MRS. CLINTON. I SALUTE YOU AND PRESIDENT CLINTON FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE TO MAKE TODAY POSSIBLE.

THANKS ALSO TO ELI SEGAL, ALAN SOLOMONT AND THE AMERICORPS ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE FOR THEIR IMPORTANT EFFORTS TO FOCUS PUBLIC ATTENTION ON THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT AMERICORPS MEMBERS ARE MAKING EVERY DAY IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

(RECOGNIZE SPECIAL GUESTS: CORETTA SCOTT KING, GOVERNOR AND MRS. LEAVITT)

AND THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU--YOU ARE ALL KEY MEMBERS OF THE AMERICORPS FAMILY--AND WITH YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, AMERICORPS WILL THRIVE IN THE 21ST CENTURY.

TODAY IS A GREAT DAY FOR NATIONAL SERVICE. A LITTLE MORE THAN FIVE YEARS AGO, PRESIDENT CLINTON CHALLENGED A NEW GENERATION TO A SEASON OF SERVICE. SINCE THEN MORE THAN 150,000 AMERICANS HAVE ANSWERED HIS CALL, AS MANY AS HAVE JOINED THE PEACE CORPS IN 38 YEARS.

TOGETHER, THEY HAVE SERVED MORE THAN 4,000 COMMUNITIES; TAUGHT, TUTORED AND MENTORED MORE THAN 4 MILLION CHILDREN, DEVELOPED AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR MORE THAN ONE MILLION CHILDREN; HELPED BUILD MORE THAN 11,000 HOMES AND RECRUITED AND ORGANIZED MORE THAN 2 MILLION VOLUNTEERS. AND THOSE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE THINGS THEY'VE GOTTEN DONE OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

AMERICORPS HAS ALSO ACCOMPLISHED ITS GOAL OF EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY. OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, AMERICORPS MEMBERS HAVE EARNED MORE THAN \$330 MILLION TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION OR PAY BACK STUDENT LOANS.

SUPPORT FOR AMERICORPS HAS EXPANDED DRAMATICALLY ACROSS THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, AND TODAY INCLUDES A GROWING NUMBER OF LEADING REPUBLICANS...

PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE MAJORITY OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SUPPORT AMERICORPS., WHETHER THEY ARE DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS OR INDEPENDENTS.

EVERY ONE OF THESE FACT IS COMPELLING. BUT MORE COMPELLING ARE THE YOUNG PEOPLE I HAVE MET, AND THE STORIES I'VE HEARD AS I'VE TRAVELED THE COUNTRY THESE LAST FEW YEARS. "EVERYBODY CAN BE GREAT BECAUSE EVERYBODY CAN SERVE," WERE THE WORDS OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. THROUGH THEIR SERVICE, AMERICORPS MEMBERS DEVELOP THAT QUIET KIND OF GREATNESS THAT OUR COUNTRY MOST NEEDS.

AMERICORPS SHOWS US THAT IF WE INVEST IN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE , LIFT THEIR SIGHTS, IGNITE THEIR IMAGINATIONS AND ENGAGE THEIR MINDS AND BODIES IN WORKING ALONGSIDE PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT RACIAL, ECONOMIC AND RELIGIOUS BACKGROUNDS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS AND ACHIEVE COMMON GOALS, WE WILL DISCOVER AN ANTIDOTE TO THE ISOLATION, ALIENATION AND CYNICISM IN THE AIR AROUND US.

AT THE TURN OF THE LAST CENTURY, WILLIAM JAMES WROTE, "INDIVIDUALS, DAILY MORE NUMEROUS NOW FEEL THIS CIVIC PASSION. IT IS ONLY A QUESTION OF BLOWING ON THE SPARK TILL THE WHOLE POPULATION GETS INCANDESCENT."

SO AS WE CELEBRATE TODAY, LET US RE-COMMIT OURSELVES TO WORKING TOWARD THE DAY WHEN SERVICE IS THE COMMON EXPECTATION AND COMMON EXPERIENCE OF EVERY AMERICAN.

THANK YOU.

5th Anniversary of AmeriCorps

This fall, AmeriCorps will celebrate its fifth anniversary. In five years, AmeriCorps has deployed over 100,000 active duty citizens in service to their communities. This anniversary will be a time to look back at our accomplishments and to look forward to the potential of national service. It will be a time to both celebrate and demonstrate how national service gets things done for America. And it will be a time to honor our unsung service heroes of today and inspire, and encourage such heroes of the future. All of AmeriCorps --- current members and Alums, AmeriCorps*VISTAs and corpsmembers of AmeriCorps*NCCC, AmeriCorps Promise Fellows and Leaders, members serving in their own communities and states and those who serve neighbors far from their own homes --- will join together nationwide in an All*AmeriCorps anniversary and celebration of service.

The national service network will celebrate AmeriCorps's fifth anniversary on **October 22 and 23rd, 1999**, around Make A Difference Day ... one of our three national days of service. There will be an all out effort to promote the heroes and leaders in the field through a new award --- the All*AmeriCorps Award. And there will community service projects throughout the nation that not only get things done but also demonstrate the power of young people to change their communities for the better through their own service.

All*AmeriCorps Awards

One of the best ways to mark an anniversary is to seek out and honor outstanding examples of leadership. The new All*AmeriCorps Awards will do just that --- honor the outstanding achievements of AmeriCorps members who through their service have made a difference in their communities and in their nation.

This year, the All*AmeriCorps Awards will be given at a special White House ceremony on **October 20, 1999**. Winners have been selected through a national competition among hundreds of nominations from across the country in four categories:

- The Getting Things Done Award highlights service of individuals that helped to solve real community problems through citizen action.
- The Strengthening Communities Award honors those who have made a lasting impact through collaboration, recruitment, and sustainability.
- The Leadership Development Award recognizes outstanding individual growth and personal achievement through service that builds active duty citizens.
- And the Common Ground Award highlights the service of individuals who have brought people and organizations together across the lines that divide them.



All*AmeriCorps Make A Difference Day

There is no better way to celebrate than to roll up our sleeves in a national service project. All across the country, AmeriCorps members, Alums, the Senior Corps, Learn and Serve volunteers, and our partners will be getting things done for Make A Difference Day.

In most communities, the issues and challenges affecting young people are considered the pressing issues of our time. Parents, grandparents, employers, senior citizens, and neighbors are all concerned about young people in one way or another. They are worried about the number and quality of opportunities for them and they are worried that, somehow, young people might be heading in the wrong direction. The common response is to look to adults to help children.

But youth service – tapping the talents and energies of young people – is a key part of the antidote this country needs to counter the threats of isolation, alienation, and cynicism. Young people in increasing numbers are taking of service to the community as their generation's contribution to the American spirit. The All*AmeriCorps Make A Difference Day service projects demonstrate the potential of young people as leaders and resources for their community. On this national day of service, the national service family and other volunteers, and especially young people, will be building playgrounds, renovating classrooms, opening computer labs, holding health screenings, enrolling students in after-school programs, and signing up young volunteers for 100 hours of service a year. National service will help demonstrate the potential of young people to 'make a difference' in their communities.

For more information on the All*AmeriCorps Anniversary and Make A Difference Day, please contact the Office of Public Liaison by phone (202) 606-5000, ext. 193 or by email at allamericorps@cns.gov.

**All*AmeriCorps Awards
1999**

Proposed Recipients

Getting Things Done

Christine Packer; AmeriCorps*VISTA 94-95; VISTA Leader 95-96; Boise, Idaho
Idaho VISTA Immunization Project

Hometown: Rigby, Idaho (now lives in Boise)

Christine, an Idaho native, was instrumental in building partnerships and structuring immunization activities throughout eastern Idaho during her first year as a VISTA. In year two, she developed a system for linking and supporting VISTAs working in immunization throughout the state of Idaho resulting in a 29% increase in the state's immunization rate. Christine remains involved in immunization efforts as a member of the Immunization by Two Coalition.

Katie Floyd, AmeriCorps 94-95; 95-96; Shreveport, Louisiana
Alliance for Catholic Education

Hometown: Barlett, Illinois (now at Loyola University in Chicago)

Katie worked to increase educational opportunities to young people by serving as a teacher and tutor in after-school and college preparatory programs. Following two years of AmeriCorps service, Katie served as the Membership Services Director for AmeriCorps Alums. During her tenure, she significantly increased the membership and the services provided to members.

Lin Min Kong; AmeriCorps 96-97; 97-98; South Central Los Angeles, California
National Service Legal Corps Community Preservation Project

Hometown: Murphy, North Carolina

Lin Min served as attorney for a non-profit group formed by low-income Spanish speaking tenants of a Los Angeles slum. She worked with tenants to secure funding to purchase and renovate their building into safe and affordable housing. Lin Min also assisted the Thai Community Development Center, a non-profit serving low-income Thai immigrants and refugees to turn a run down old hotel into affordable housing with community space for social services, after-school programs and computer skills development classes for children and families.

Toni Sage; NCCC 95-96 (Western Region-San Diego); AmeriCorps 96-97, 97-98; Salt Lake City, Utah
Salt Lake County Reads and Promotes Service

Hometown: Seattle

As an AmeriCorps member, Toni was assigned to teach environmental education at an extended day program at Parkview Elementary School. She soon realized that many students had literacy needs and worked with the AmeriCorps Director and University of Utah college students to create a one-to-one tutoring program. Her concern for community safety and the

environment led Toni to create a school, university and community partnership to whereby school children helped to design and construct an urban tree house and green space by the river only two blocks from the elementary school. The area was formerly home to drug dealers and gang activities.

James Boland; AmeriCorps 98-99; West Haven, Connecticut
National Collaboration for Homeless Veterans; LA Vets AmeriCorps

Hometown: Akron, OH (living in CT for 12 years)

James, a veteran, serves as an AmeriCorps member at the very facility that ten years ago took him in off the street when he was homeless, addicted and suicidal. Today, James manages four houses for homeless and mentally ill veterans, which are part of the VA Connecticut Community Care Center. James developed and oversees the mentoring and buddy programs in the crisis day program, designed the monthly family dinners and meetings and conducts skills building groups in the day program.

Strengthening Communities

Jack Bridges; AmeriCorps 94-95; Americus, Georgia
Habitat for Humanity

Hometown: Americus, GA (currently residing in Americus)

In addition to building homes with and for low-income families, Jack developed and ran a reading/tutoring program for Habitat homeowner's children. As a native of Americus, Georgia, Jack helped to build bridges between AmeriCorps members and the Sumter County community. Jack continues to serve his community as a recruiter for Habitat for Humanity's AmeriCorps program and as a trainer in the areas of cultural diversity and leadership development.

Scott Finn; VISTA 95-96; AmeriCorps 96-97; Big Ugly, Lincoln County, West Virginia
Big Ugly Community Center & APPALREAD

Hometown: Charleston, WV

Scott worked with community residents to renovate an abandoned school and turn it into a community center. Scott raised funds to support the community center and developed an after-school and summer program in partnership with the local school system and university. Scott garnered resources to develop APPALREAD, using AmeriCorps members and a partnership with local community organizations. During the first year of APPALREAD, 82% of the children served improved their reading scores.

Tera Oglesby; AmeriCorps 96-97; Seattle, Washington
JustServe Seattle Police Department Crime Survivor Services Unit

Hometown: Tamecula, CA

While the Seattle Police Department had plans for a victim support program, they had hired no staff. With no supervision, Tera, working with other AmeriCorps members and in collaboration with victims' advocates, social service and law enforcement, developed the Victim Support

Fifth Anniversary State Celebrations 9/29/99

Arkansas

Date: 11/3

Contact: Albert Schneider

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by: Lt. Governor (?)

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Statewide service project will be 11/20 (Family Volunteer Day) in collaboration with the Corporation state office, Volunteer Centers and Dept of Human Services.

Notes:

California

Date: 10/23

Contact: John Searles (916) 324-3056

Location: To be determined

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects:

Notes: The tentative proposal to the Governor's office is to have Governor Davis attend a Make A Difference Day service project and then announce his appointments to the state commission. Potential projects include a service project in Sacramento, City Year's Servathon in San Jose, a service project with the Grant Maker Forum in the North Bay, and a service project with Building Up LA.

San Diego (NCCC)

AmeriCorps*NCCC Western Region will be kicking off Make a Difference Day activities on Saturday, October 16th, 1999 with an all-corps community paint project, Paint Lemon Grove. Make a Difference Day activities will continue throughout the week of October 18th through the 22nd. Activities will include eight to nine community projects across the four focus areas. Each team will participate in one project for a two and a half day period and will have the option of returning to that community on October 23rd, 1999 to continue their service on the actual Make a Difference Day.

Florida

Date:

Contact: Arie Sailor (850) 921-5172

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: There will be regional activities on 10/23.

Notes: There is a planning meeting scheduled for 9/13.

Idaho

Date: 10/9

Contact: Becky Blumer (208) 658-2073

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Yes

Notes: Swearing in and service project done in conjunction with PSO.

Illinois

Date: 10/22

Contact: Rose Mary Frey (312) 793-4637

Location: Springfield, IL

of AmeriCorps members: 400 members

Swearing in by: Invitation extended to First Lady, Mrs. Ryan

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Service projects will take place in individual communities on 10/23.

Notes: Birthday cake celebrating five years will be provided at the luncheon.

Kentucky

Date: 9/22-23

Contact: Luisha Ray (502) 573-5200

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Governor Patton and First Lady, Lt. Governor confirmed

Service Projects: No Commission-wide projects planned for 10/23.

Notes:

Louisiana

Date: 10/15-17

Contact: Shawn Wilson (225) 342-6289

Location: Statewide (10 locations)

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: There will be five major service projects on 10/23. This is also Election Day in LA.

Notes: The Lieutenant Governor is participating in a 10 stop, statewide tour featuring grant announcements to local communities.

Maine

Date: 10/18

Contact: Heather Chandler (207) 287-8933

Location: Boys & Girls Club-YMCA in Waterville

of AmeriCorps members: 250 members

Swearing in by: Colin Powell/Angus King

Confirmed speakers: Colin Powell, Governor King and First Lady Mary Herman, Deb Jospin/John Gomperts

Service Projects: AmeriCorps members and Maine National Guard members will participate in a variety of service projects throughout Waterville.

Notes: Event partners include Maine Promise Network Maine Commission for Community Service, Communities for Children, Maine National Guard.

Massachusetts

Date: 10/22

Contact: Maureen Curley

Location: Boston Common

of AmeriCorps members: 1,100 members

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Governor Cellucci, Senators Kennedy and Kerry invited.

Service Projects: Service project will be in conjunction with City Year's Servathon on 10/23.

Notes:

Michigan

Date: 10/29

Contact: Beth Barney

Location: Michigan State University Union Building, East Lansing

of AmeriCorps members: 350 members

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: All programs will be involved in service projects on 10/23.

Notes:

Minnesota

Date: 10/22

Contact: Tracy Ackman (651) 582-8444

Location: State Capitol

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Lt. Governor 90% confirmed, Governor invited

Service Projects: There will be service projects occurring throughout the Twin Cities on 10/22.

Notes: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated with local service projects. The Commission has hired a media consultant to generate publicity.

Montana

Date:

Contact: Charlie Briggs (406) 444-2573, Brian Magee (406) 444-9077

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated with local service projects.

Notes: There will be no statewide events.

New Hampshire

Date: 10/22

Contact: Eunice Rescott (603) 229-3407

Location: State Capitol

of AmeriCorps members: 250

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: The Governor has been invited.

Service Projects: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated with local service projects.

Notes:

New Jersey

Date: 10/22-10/23

Contact: Rowena Madden (609) 633-9627 or Linda Rivera (609) 292-1834

Location: Steps of New Jersey State House

of AmeriCorps members: 300-350

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: David C. Hespe, New Jersey Commissioner of Education

Service Projects: Commission will join the Dept of Human Services for community-based events, most likely in Paterson and Camden.

Notes:

New York

Date: 11/17

Contact: Nicky Smith (518) 473-8882

Location: Albany

of AmeriCorps members: 1,200-1,500 members

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated in local communities.

Notes: The swearing in ceremony will be held in the morning and a service fair/project will be held in the afternoon.

North Carolina

Date: 10/22

Contact: Linda Shealy (919) 715-2278

Location: Bennett College (HBCU), Greensboro

of AmeriCorps members: 100-150

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Governor will appear via videotape, Guilford Promise

Service Projects: Yes

Notes: Program will include members from all five years.

Ohio

Date:

Contact: John Poole

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects:

Notes: Ohio is celebrating the 5th Anniversary throughout the year.

Oregon

Date: 10/15

Contact: Kathleen Joy (503) 725-5903

Location: Portland

of AmeriCorps members: 200-300

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated with local service projects.

Notes:

Pennsylvania

Philadelphia

Date: 10/22

Contact: Diane Sherwood (717) 3589

Location:

of AmeriCorps members: 300-400

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: School supplies and other items for homeless people

Notes: There will be an award given to Mayor Rendell.

Pittsburgh

Date: 10/22-10/23

Contact: Janet Elder (412) 578-8345 (412) 913-9910 cell

Location: Hosanna House, Wilkinsburg, PA

of AmeriCorps members: 300-400

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Invitations extended to Mayor Tom Murphy, Mayor Young of Wilkinsburg, Wilkinsburg Council President Ware, Commissioners, Congressmen, Senators

Service Projects: Service projects are scheduled for both days.

Notes: The Western PA InterCorps Alliance is combining the 5th Anniversary Kick-Off with Make A Difference Day activities. All service groups will be invited to attend the Kick-Off at Hosanna House and those who are able can spend the night and participate in community service projects the following day.

South Carolina (NCCC)

Date: 10/22

Contact: Mikel Herrington

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Senator Hollings is invited

Service Projects: On 10/23, the NCCC will have two projects working in partnership with the Volunteer Center of the Lowcountry. One is a clean-up project in the Charleston and North Charleston low-income neighborhoods. The second is with the Harmony Project. The Harmony Project is a local non-profit organization that collects building materials to supply low-income people so homes can be built and refurbished.

Notes:

Tennessee

Date: 10/23 (?)

Contact: Jim Snell (615) 253-1426

Location: Nashville

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: On 10/23, there will be 4-5 local projects in Nashville using cross-stream volunteers. USA Weekend has picked this project to profile.

Notes:

Texas

Date: 10/19

Contact: Bob Hickerson (512) 463-3249

Location: Dallas/Fort Worth

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Governor Bush and Laura Bush are invited

Service Projects: There will be two service projects associated with the Governor's Volunteer Conference.

Notes: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated in local communities on 10/23.

Vermont

Date: 10/29

Contact: Kathleen Hall (802) 828-4982

Location: State Capitol

of AmeriCorps members: 150 members

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Lt. Governor is likely

Service Projects: There will be service projects as part of the opening ceremony.

Notes: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated in individual communities on 10/23.

Virginia

Date:

Contact: Elizabeth Whitehead (804) 692-1642

Location:

of AmeriCorps members:

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects: Make A Difference Day will be celebrated in local communities.

Notes: The swearing in ceremony will be part of the Streams Conference in November.

Washington

Date: 10/22

Contact: Bill Basl (360) 902-0663

Location: Safeco Field, Seattle

of AmeriCorps members: 1,200 members

Swearing in by: Governor Gary Locke, Sue Donaldson

Confirmed speakers: Senator Slade Gorton, Senator Patty Murray, Representatives Jay Inslee, Norm Dicks, Jennifer Dunn, Adam Smith, Jim McDermott, May Paul Schell, King County Executive Ron Sims have been invited

Service Projects: Following the ceremony at Safeco Field, AmeriCorps members will be assisting the City of Seattle in planting thousands of trees in parks and neighborhoods as part of the Seattle Millennium Project. This activity will continue on Make A Difference Day.

Notes: Members of the Seattle Mariners, staff and families have been invited to participate in the service project. Their response is pending. Governor Locke may also participate in the service project.

West Virginia

Date: 10/6

Contact: Jean Ambrose (304) 3627

Location: State Capitol

of AmeriCorps members: 150 members

Swearing in by: First Lady Mrs. Underwood (?)

Confirmed speakers:

Service Projects:

Notes: There will be a presentation of the West Virginia's Promise report.

Wisconsin

Date: 10/22

Contact: Hannah Harris (608) 261-6604

Location: Madison

of AmeriCorps members: 300 members

Swearing in by:

Confirmed speakers: Governor Thompson, State Senator Gwendolynne Moore invited.

Two alumni will speak.

Service Projects: There will be a service project at Kettle Moraine State Forest – Northern Unit.

Notes: The program will include remarks by past and current members.

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5th Anniversary of AmeriCorps Possible Policy Deliverables

Messages of the day:

- Good -*
Bipartisan
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- Celebration and success of AmeriCorps in first five years
 - National need to continually renew and reinvigorate our civic life by committing to service, responsibility, and citizenship

Possible ways to amplify the message:

- Regional*
Sum
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- Hill strategy (CNS is working on a series of "hearings," morning messages, etc.)
 - Media strategy – is there a way to highlight AmeriCorps stories on the morning shows (e.g. Today Show, Good Morning America) or evening news shows (e.g. a piece on 60 minutes?). We could possibly try to plug the award presenters (e.g. Colin Powell) and the awardees into the shows
 - Have we ever done an AmeriCorps book/video tape/radio spot to highlight interesting success stories? What are we doing to spread the success stories of AmeriCorps on the 5th anniversary?

Goal of policy deliverables:

- Policies that will build-on, strengthen, and help to sustain AmeriCorps and national service beyond the Clinton Administration

Possible Options for Specific Policy Deliverables:

The policy deliverables could focus on two ends in a life of service – (1) those students just beginning a life of service through the newly proposed AmeriCorps High School component and (2) those who have committed to service by completing AmeriCorps and are recommitting to continually provide service to their communities through the new and expanded AmeriCorps Alum program.

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Options for an expanded AmeriCorps High School component

Broad message around participation of high school students: In the wake of Littleton with the entire Nation focused on the lives of teenagers, survey after survey has found that teenagers feel more alone and alienated than ever before – disconnected from parents, teachers, mentors, community members, and peers. Research and evaluation of community service and service learning, however, show that through service students gain a greater sense of participation, responsibility, and citizenship. The good news is that community service and civic action is increasing – a record number of college freshmen reported volunteering their time during their last year of high schools – 74 percent up from 62 percent ten years ago. We must continue to support and expand opportunities for high school students to engage in community action and

civic life by participating in community service focused on the needs of their own communities.

Option A

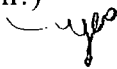
- ***President highlights the FY2000 High School proposal:*** Expanded funding in FY2000 for AmeriCorps (\$533 million up \$106 million from FY99) would support a new initiative to expand AmeriCorps to 10,000 high schools students serving full time in the summer and part-time (5 hrs/week) during the school year. These high school students will tutor, mentor, staff after-school programs and provide special assistance to at-risk children in summer programs such as Head Start. In exchange, students will be eligible for an AmeriCorps education award, and receive the equivalent of minimum wage for their full-time summer service.

(Note: If the budget is resolved by the end of October, it is likely that AmeriCorps will not have received enough funding to support this initiative. Do we call for more funding in FY2001 or can we creatively allocate discretionary funds in CNS to support this initiative?)

Option B

- ***President Announces Call to Action for High School students to help tackle problem of national significance.*** Instead of calling for an across the board bump up in AmeriCorps to support an overall high school initiative, the President could focus the efforts of high school students around a specific social problem. For example, in an effort to end social promotion and ensure that all children can read by the end of the third grade, we need to engage the entire Nation in providing support and help to students to learn to read. High School students could act as valuable tutors to students as they practice the reading skills they learn in school. This effort would give the AmeriCorps high school initiative a more tangible goal and tie it to the CNS Reads campaign and to the President's goal of ending social promotion. It may also be easier to allocate funds within existing initiatives.

Start with a grand kick-off summer of service? (Shirley – I know you cautioned against the “summer of service” – is it worth trying again?)



Option C

- ***President encourages communities to make community service a mandatory requirement for high school graduation.*** This notion is quite controversial in the field due to poor implementation. Is it possible to point to good models? Is it possible to offer support, technical assistance, or resources to communities that are trying to implement such a policy?

Options for an expanded AmeriCorps Alums program

Broad message around participation of AmeriCorps Alums: Individuals who have successfully completed AmeriCorps are dedicated to serving their communities and will continue to do so throughout their lives. The AmeriCorps Alums are a resource to our Nation. It is our responsibility to ensure that the Alums have structured ways to connect to community service opportunities and can continue to serve their communities.

Option A

- **President announces a package that includes a variety of programs and ways of connecting alums.** This package could potentially be modeled on the Peace Corps programs for Returning Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs).

[Background: The Peace Corps currently has four main programs for their RPCVs including: (1) a Fellows program where the volunteers work in schools and communities that have a specific need for their skills and experiences, while they study toward a related academic degree; (2) a World Wise Schools programs where volunteers connect with teachers in American classrooms to help them with visits, lesson plans, videos and teacher guides based on their experiences in the field; (3) a Crisis Corps where RPCVs use their experiences from the Peace Corps and use them in a short-term assistance capacity during domestic humanitarian crisis and natural disasters; (4) a Partnership program which pairs RPCVs with current volunteers in the field to help donate gifts-in-kind to the village and offer mentorship and support.]

Option B

- **President announces new “AmeriCorps Reserves” (modeled on Military) for domestic issues — e.g. natural disasters, national social problems.** Alums could be provided with incentives to come back and “serve” for a limited period of time or, like the reserves, could commit to service over a period of years on weekends and after work. [Would it be possible to offer the AmeriCorps alums financial incentives (like the Military does) or would we ask that they volunteer their time? Anything in return?]

In order to support this project, a network/web of resources throughout the country could act as conduits to connect AmeriCorps alums to local projects focused on the particular problem (a recent example is the partnership between FEMA and current AmeriCorps members during Hurricane Floyd). AmeriCorps State offices could partner with America’s Promise to act as a resource and clearing house for AmeriCorps alums to respond to the National call to action.

The first announcement could focus on the National need for help on the issue of preventing youth violence by asking AmeriCorps alums to participate in a National Mentoring project. [How would it work with the National Campaign? It could be a partnership between the National Mentoring Coalition, AmeriCorps, America’s Promise, etc. and act as a contribution to the Campaign.]

Option C

- ***President announces the help of AmeriCorps alums in expanding the Boston-based Citizen Schools After-School project – a project that promotes the values of National Service – citizenship and active civic lives.*** This program exemplifies national service by promoting leadership in the community in taking responsibility for educating middle school students and helping them to better understand the connection between work and school. AmeriCorps alums could easily fit into this program as community “citizens” working with students after-school and on the weekends.

[Note – see attached article on Citizen Schools After-School Program. Need to answer questions about whether this project is ready to expand nationally, what capacity they have to replicate their model, etc.]

Other Potential Policy Deliverables for 5th Anniversary

- Kick off of Power-Up, a public/private partnership aimed at tackling the digital divide [John – is this still a possibility for an end-of-October kick-off?]
- Reauthorization of AmeriCorps

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BODY:

Peeling shrimp for spring rolls on a recent Saturday morning at the Woodrow Wilson Middle School in Dorchester, Kenneth Fleury tried to explain why he enrolled in a cooking class.

"I was tired of making boxed food," said Fleury, 11. "I want to learn how to prepare a gourmet dinner."

Chris Pepin, a chef at Salamander restaurant in Cambridge, is teaching this class of seven students. At the other end of the table, Pepin beats egg whites for the dessert: spiced angel food cake with orange creme anglaise.

"I need someone to chop some red peppers," he tells Fleury and the others, quickly demonstrating the proper technique.

Here, he is a chef (the kids call him Chef Chris) but he is also a "citizen teacher." His students are "apprentices." The class is among the several dozen offered this spring by Citizen Schools, which runs after school and during the summer for Boston children 9 to 14.

Launched four years ago by Eric Schwarz and Ned Rimer, roommates at the University of Vermont who graduated in 1983, Citizen Schools started at the Paul A. Dever School in Dorchester and is now at seven sites in Dorchester, Brighton, Roxbury, and Roslindale. The heart of the nonprofit, privately funded operation is apprenticeships. Guided by volunteer professionals, children learn by publishing newspapers and studying sign language, baking cakes and building cabinets, designing Web pages and launching small businesses, selling T-shirts, greeting cards, or jewelry.

Schwarz and Rimer point out that children spend a great deal more time out of school than in, and only 17 percent of school-age children in Boston are enrolled in licensed after-school programs. Many children come home not only to empty houses, but to deserted neighborhoods. The guiding philosophy of Citizen Schools, the cofounders say, is that professional educators can't do it alone and neither can parents. The community needs to get involved in raising

children. "The whole notion of public parenting is in decline," said Schwarz, a former reporter for the Patriot Ledger of Quincy who worked five years for City Year and is now president of Citizen Schools. "We want to resurrect it.

"We have twin goals - to educate children and to strengthen community. We want to challenge the community to help educate children and to challenge children to help their community by producing quality work."

That's why apprentices at the Wilson School went on a Dorchester Community Hunt earlier this month, interviewing residents in Codman Square and learning the local geography through maps, compasses, and cameras. The next week, they found places in the square that needed new trash cans and painted them.

Down the hall from Chef Chris' class, students worked recently on a float for the Dorchester Day Parade in June, a replica of the Wilson School. Several girls tore newspaper pages for papier-mache while others began the wood frame.

"It's very different from school," said Francis Ramirez, 12. "There's no homework."

Later that afternoon, students at the Wilson visited the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge to get a sense of life at one of the world's great universities.

After-school sessions include time for homework, in keeping with the emphasis on academics.

"Kids are way behind even in fourth, fifth, sixth grades," Schwarz said. One statistic cited by Citizen Schools: Only between 6 and 13 percent of Boston eighth-graders perform at grade level.

Citizen Schools attracts students with a range of interests and abilities. During the school year, more than 90 percent of participants are Boston public school students; they number about 70 percent in the summer. The rest are Boston children enrolled in parochial or private schools. From the start, Citizen Schools focused on the middle grades.

"It's a critical age to engage kids in learning," said Rimer, a former high school teacher and administrator for various nonprofit groups, including an agriculture school in Honduras. "Kids are craving deep understanding and knowledge," and "start to mentally drop out of school at age 12."

From 35 to 40 students enroll in a 10-week session each spring and fall at one of seven sites. Four (Dever, Wilson, and Cleveland middle schools and St. Mark's Neighborhood Campus) are in Dorchester. Others are at Timilty Middle School in Roxbury, Garfield Elementary in Brighton, and Irving Middle School in Roslindale. Three additional sites are planned for fall, but locations have yet to be determined. By the end of this year, nearly 1,000 apprentices and more

than 1,000 citizen teachers are expected to participate in a spring, fall, or summer session. The goal is 12 sites by 2002.

Until recently, public school buildings in Boston were underutilized in the afternoons. One reason was the overtime cost for school custodial help. Last year, however, Mayor Thomas M. Menino launched his "2 to 6" initiative, referring to after-school hours, to increase after-school programs.

"Citizen Schools is a very important partner in that initiative," said Jennifer Davis, "2 to 6" coordinator. "We are looking at different kinds of models and at the middle school level, this model is very important. It really engages children and it is definitely one we look to see expanding."

Although the classes are located primarily in public school buildings, Citizen Schools does not receive public funds. About half its \$1.6 million budget is from foundations, with 20 percent from the corporate sector and individuals. The remainder is from tuition, which averages about \$75 per term. Sliding-scale tuition plans based on income are also available.

"We feel very strongly that parents should pay something," Rimer said, to demonstrate a level of commitment.

Citizen Schools is a learning experience for the participating teachers as well, although recruitment is a challenge, Rimer said. They teach a 1 1/2-hour class one afternoon per week, Monday through Thursday, or two hours Saturday morning. Teaching experience is not necessary. While citizen teachers receive three hours of training, plus more training and support throughout the 10 weeks, the emphasis is on coaching and mentoring a small group of students (no more than 10). Creative brainstorming is important; staff members help design the curriculum. A funeral director volunteered to teach a class, but thought, correctly, that a hands-on approach to embalming might be unsuitable. Instead, he taught a course on dealing with grief.

The Boston law firm Hale & Dorr is a major corporate sponsor, donating \$250,000 over a three-year-period, but also encouraging lawyers and other staff members to volunteer their time. Legal apprenticeships culminate in a mock trial. Sessions are held at the Hale & Dorr offices.

"I think it's important from the perspective of an employer that its work force give something back to the community they work in," said Jack Regan, managing partner. "It's very energizing to see how quickly kids pick up on things and how much they appreciate what you do for them."

Said Amy Talhouk, a graduate student who teaches a computer course at the Dever campus this spring, "Kids have a lot of energy. I was struck by how easy it is to get close to them."

"The challenge is to maintain their attention," said Pepin, adding he would "definitely" recommend Citizen Schools to others.

The pace can be frenetic, he said, but the result is worth it, he said.

"At the end, they will shout, 'We made this. We made this!' " he said.
"They're really proud of what they have done."

GRAPHIC: PHOTO, Jose Garcia, 10, and Gesibela Pina, 12, at right, work on an
"Arts Afloat" project at the Paul A. Dever Elementary School in Dorchester. /
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