

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Funding Highlights:

- Provides \$1.3 billion, 9 percent above 2010 funding levels.
- Supports growth in AmeriCorps to 90,000 members, providing more Americans with opportunities to serve their communities.
- Fosters the replication of innovative and proven programs through the Social Innovation Fund.
- Creates a demonstration project within Senior Corps that will support and test promising approaches to engaging retiring Americans in service.

The President believes that public service can help to address our Nation's greatest challenges, and that serving our fellow Americans can help speed our economic recovery. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) provides an on-ramp for Americans of all ages to serve their community and country in sustained and effective ways throughout their lives, from tutoring at-risk youth to responding to natural disasters, to building the capacity of community organizations. Some of the brightest solutions to America's challenges can be found outside of Washington in communities across the country. The Budget proposes \$1.3 billion for CNCS, a 9 percent increase above 2010 funding levels. Although reaching the goal of engaging 250,000 AmeriCorps members will be extremely difficult in the constrained environment, the Budget provides Americans with more opportunities to serve and fosters community innovation across the country.

Investing in Community Solutions and a Skilled America

Supports National Service. The Budget funds 90,000 AmeriCorps members, enabling Americans to serve and building the capacity of the nonprofit sector to find innovative solutions to social problems. The Budget also focuses national service resources in those areas where service can achieve the greatest results for communities, and invests in program evaluation to determine what forms of service are most effective.

Supports Innovative Non-Profits. Innovative solutions for addressing critical national challenges can only be executed with the capital to develop, evaluate, and replicate successful approaches. The Budget invests \$70 million in the Social Innovation Fund to test promising new approaches to major challenges, leverage private and foundation capital to meet these needs, and grow evidence-based programs.

Engages Retiring Americans in Service.

Many older Americans are eager to serve our Nation and they have a wide range of skills and knowledge to give back to their fellow Americans. The President's Budget sets aside \$5 million to create a demonstration program within Senior Corps, which connects individuals over the age

of 55 to local volunteer opportunities. This new initiative will test innovative, evidence-based approaches to engaging low-income seniors in opportunities to serve two vulnerable populations: children and youth at risk of failing to perform at grade level and veterans in home-based primary care and their care-givers.

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(In millions of dollars)

	Actual 2010	Estimate	
		2011	2012
Spending			
Discretionary Budget Authority:			
Operating Expenses	1,054		1,153
<i>AmeriCorps (non-add)</i>	698		770
<i>Learn and Serve America (non-add)</i>	40		40
<i>Senior Corps (non-add)</i>	221		226
<i>Social Innovation Fund (non-add)</i>	50		70
Salaries and Expenses	88		98
Office of the Inspector General	8		8
Total, Discretionary budget authority	1,150	1,416	1,259
Total, Discretionary outlays ¹	1,034	1,013	1,077
Mandatory Outlays:			
Interest, National Service Trust	-2	17	34
Total, Mandatory outlays	-2	17	34
Total, Outlays	1,032	1,030	1,111

¹ This table reflects the correct total discretionary outlay amounts for 2011 and 2012 consistent with the policy in the President's Budget. However, the discretionary outlays in the database supporting the President's Budget are inadvertently understated for 2011 by \$420 million, and overstated for 2012 by \$505 million as a result of incorrect spendout rates. This error will be corrected during the 2012 Mid-Session Review.