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## **ServeOhio Announces \$8.8 Million in AmeriCorps Grants**

900 AmeriCorps members will serve 1.2 million hours at organizations across Ohio

**Columbus, OH** – ServeOhio, Ohio’s governor-appointed commission on service and volunteerism, awarded more than \$8.8 million in AmeriCorps grants to support 900 Ohio AmeriCorps members who will provide intensive service throughout the 2020-2021 program year to address locally-identified needs. The AmeriCorps members will be eligible for nearly \$4.2 million in education awards upon the successful completion of service to pay for future higher education or to pay back student loans.

“By partnering with local nonprofits, public agencies and community organizations, Ohio’s high-impact AmeriCorps programs address local communities’ most critical needs,” said ServeOhio Executive Director William Hall. “AmeriCorps members will grow as individuals and leaders while providing valuable service to Ohio’s struggling neighborhoods.”

The 900 AmeriCorps members will serve at more than 500 different sites across the state to provide interventions that improve local communities in the areas of education, economic opportunity, healthy futures and veteran services. Many Ohio AmeriCorps members will work directly with students in local schools – focusing on school readiness; Ohio’s Third Grade Reading Guarantee; high school completion; and guidance related to post-graduation career and education goals.

The following organizations were selected to receive AmeriCorps funding through ServeOhio:

- **Baldwin Wallace University** (*Cuyahoga County*) – 12 AmeriCorps Members - \$107,773
- **City Year Cleveland** (*Cuyahoga County*) – 76 AmeriCorps Members - \$1,134,832
- **City Year Columbus** (*Franklin County*) – 62 AmeriCorps Members - \$881,947
- **College Now Greater Cleveland/Ohio College Guides** (*Statewide*) – 70 AmeriCorps Members - \$959,011
- **College Now Greater Cleveland/AmeriCorps Career Coaches** (*Cuyahoga County*) – 10 AmeriCorps Members - \$179,999
- **Educational Service Center of Central Ohio/Ohio Reading and Math Corps** (*Statewide*) – 120 AmeriCorps Members - \$900,000
- **Educational Service Center of Central Ohio/Mentors for Success** (*Franklin, Delaware, Union and Ross counties*) – 20 AmeriCorps Members - \$180,000
- **Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association** (*Cuyahoga and Lake counties*) – 30 AmeriCorps Members - \$413,998
- **Horizon Education Centers** (*Cuyahoga County*) – 22 AmeriCorps Members - \$260,819
- **John Carroll University** (*Statewide*) – 50 AmeriCorps Members - \$634,154

- **Mercy Health** (*Clermont, Hamilton, Clark, Brown, and Lucas counties*) – 11 AmeriCorps Members - \$153,214
- **Ohio Campus Compact** (*Statewide*) – 18 AmeriCorps Members - \$183,481
- **Ohio Children's Alliance** (*Statewide*) – 10 AmeriCorps Members - \$100,000
- **Ohio Domestic Violence Network** (*Statewide*) – 20 AmeriCorps Members - \$309,501
- **Ohio Historical Society** (*Statewide*) – 10 AmeriCorps Members - \$152,903
- **Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation** (*Statewide*) – 5 AmeriCorps Members - \$78,230
- **Ohio University** (*Athens County*) – 17 AmeriCorps Members - \$258,264
- **Rural Action** (*Southeast Ohio*) – 31 AmeriCorps Members - \$374,763
- **Santa Maria Community Services** (*Hamilton County*) – 17 AmeriCorps Members - \$279,000
- **Shawnee State University** (*Scioto County*) – 21 AmeriCorps Members - \$158,228
- **Springfield Promise Neighborhood** (*Clark County*) – 20 AmeriCorps Members - \$132,593
- **Teach for America – Ohio** (*Cuyahoga, Hamilton, and Montgomery counties*) – 111 AmeriCorps Members - \$111,000
- **Tinker's Creek Watershed Partners** (*Northeast Ohio*) – 15 AmeriCorps Members - \$260,999
- **University of Dayton** (*Montgomery County*) – 46 AmeriCorps Members - \$163,568
- **University Settlement** (*Cuyahoga County*) – 15 AmeriCorps Members - \$183,696
- **Zoological Society Cincinnati** (*Hamilton County*) – 10 AmeriCorps Members - \$160,661

ServeOhio supports AmeriCorps members by providing resources and leadership development for their service year. Additionally, ServeOhio works closely with local nonprofit organizations and governmental entities to structure evidence-based programming that builds the capacity of local entities to increase student achievement and bolster community-improvement objectives.

Throughout the nation, AmeriCorps programs engage more than 80,000 individuals in intensive, results-driven service each year through more than 21,600 organizations across the country. Upon completion of 1,700 hours of service, full-time AmeriCorps members earn a \$6,095 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. Since 1994, more than 1 million men and women have served in AmeriCorps, providing more than 1.4 billion hours of service and earning more than \$3.3 billion in scholarships, more than \$1 billion of which has been used to pay back student loan debt.

For more information about the awarded grants, AmeriCorps program or how to get involved, visit [serveohio.org](http://serveohio.org).

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### **About ServeOhio**

ServeOhio, Ohio's Governor-appointed commission on service and volunteerism, strengthens Ohio communities through AmeriCorps and volunteer engagement. Through programs and initiatives funded and supported by ServeOhio, thousands of Ohioans of all ages engage in and are recognized for their service. Interested participants may learn more about ServeOhio at [www.serveohio.org](http://www.serveohio.org), or on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

### **About AmeriCorps**

AmeriCorps is a national service program administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency that engages millions of Americans in service through its AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Volunteer Generation Fund programs, and leads volunteer initiatives for the nation. For more information, visit [NationalService.gov](http://NationalService.gov).