



In 2013, Volunteer Mississippi programs and the Volunteer Mississippi Network engaged **60,163** volunteers serving **396,496** hours, an estimated value of **\$8,778,421.44**.

Meaningful Service

AmeriCorps

Every day in communities across Mississippi, AmeriCorps members and community volunteers are making a powerful impact on the most critical issues facing our state.

Volunteer Mississippi Network

The Volunteer Mississippi Network's volunteer centers promote volunteers and volunteer activity; mobilize, prepare and connect civic leaders for service; and build volunteer capacity within the nonprofit and for-profit communities.

Volunteer Centers offer community members an ongoing menu of volunteer opportunities, while organizations can learn best practices in employee volunteer programs and volunteer management. In 2013, the Volunteer Mississippi Network served **760** nonprofit organizations; trained **1,873** participants in nonprofit capacity-building topics (**5,023** training hours); and recognized **11,800** volunteers for their service.



Proven Leadership

Disaster Response and Recovery

Volunteer Mississippi is designated by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to coordinate volunteer assistance and donations management to communities affected by disasters. First Lady and Honorary Commission Chair Deborah Bryant, Volunteer Mississippi leadership, staff, Volunteer Center directors, and AmeriCorps Mississippi members were on hand in Hattiesburg to establish a robust volunteer response system and provide professional, compassionate care to those affected by February 2013's tornadoes.

An Organization of Leaders

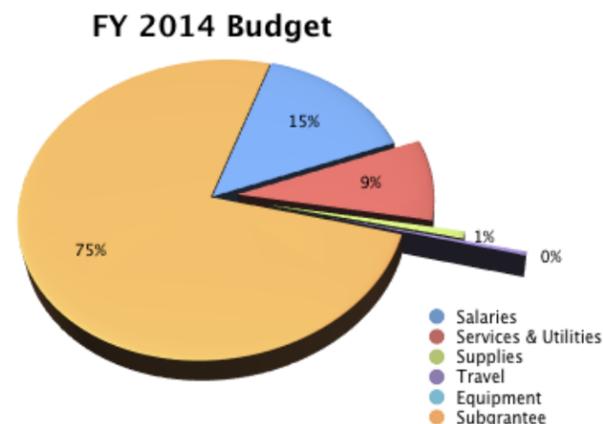
Volunteer Mississippi's programs cultivate excellence and life-long leadership, and that is a statement that can be applied to our organization. Executive Director David Mallery and Commissioner

Kelsey Pettus serve on the Board for America's Service Commission, promoting volunteerism and service on a national level. Commissioner Jo Shumake serves on the AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) Advisory board. Commissioners, leadership and staff are well regarded in their respective fields, and act as servant-leaders in their communities through a diverse, inclusive variety of civic, faith-based and community organizations.



Exemplary Results

Volunteerism and national service aren't just **good deeds** and **good ideas**; they're **good investments** in Mississippi. Volunteer Mississippi prides itself on fiscal accountability, with **75%** of our budget directly infused back into programs throughout Mississippi: that's over **\$3.7M** brought to bear on some of our state's toughest challenges. Our programs directly address locally identified needs, with sponsoring agencies and organizations investing deeply (over **\$3.5 M**) to match federal national service dollars. At **\$509,619**, the State of Mississippi shouldered **14%** of the fiscal year 2014 agency budget.



Mississippi At a Glance



AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants ¹	Education Scholarships ²	Program Funding
AmeriCorps National	7	84	1,584	\$7,462,063	\$3,688,095 ³
AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	-	-	480	\$2,664,000	\$8,863,792 ⁴
AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects	4	4	36	-	-
AmeriCorps State Competitive	3	86	438	\$2,123,477	\$4,718,644
AmeriCorps State Formula	8	27	230	\$692,340	\$1,686,139
AmeriCorps VISTA	14	14	77	\$427,350	\$1,224,993
AMERICORPS TOTAL	36	215	2,845	\$13,369,231	\$20,181,663
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	6	37	646	-	\$2,107,160
RSVP	12	249	3,146	-	\$558,397
Senior Companion Program	3	16	218	-	\$680,717
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	21	302	4,010	-	\$3,346,274
Social Innovation Fund	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Nonprofit Subgrantees	1	-	-	-	\$121,500
SOCIAL INNOVATION FUND TOTAL	1	-	-	-	\$121,500
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Disability Outreach	1	-	-	-	\$124,079
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$200,000
Volunteer Generation Fund	1	-	-	-	\$270,000
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	3	-	-	-	\$594,079
PROGRAM TOTALS	61	517	6,855	\$13,369,231	\$24,243,516
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards)					\$37,612,746
TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)					\$4,739,679 ⁵
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT					\$42,352,425

Notes: The data shown represents a snapshot in time. CNCS project sites, participants, and funding change throughout the year, so the data may not reflect current conditions.

1 This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2012 - 2013 program year. For AmeriCorps VISTA, this represents the actual number of VISTA members in active service.

2 This figure represents the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in Mississippi. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans. The education award total is included in total CNCS funding.

3 AmeriCorps National figures may include national programs headquartered in the state and/or operating sites of national programs that are headquartered in other states. Funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the national grant associated with operating sites in this report. Some national organizations do not report operating site data, or it was not available at time of publishing, so figures may not reflect current conditions.

4 Mississippi is home to the Southwest Region campus of AmeriCorps NCCC, located in Vicksburg. Members based at this campus perform service projects throughout Mississippi and AL, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV. The Mississippi Campus funding includes \$5,205,683 in one-time FEMA funds.

5 As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS requires grantees to leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment. This figure reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees and project sponsors have committed to raise to support their programming activities across the state.

Information on this page reflects active programs as of March 11, 2013

What's national service and volunteering doing for Mississippi? Visit VolunteerMississippi.org.



Upcoming Events

This **April 1, 2014**, mayors across the country will participate in the second-annual **Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service**, spotlighting the impact of national service and thanking those who serve. The nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national service as a cost-effective strategy to address city challenges. By unleashing the power of citizens, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs have a positive and lasting impact—making our cities better places to live. Visit www.nationalservice.gov for more information and registration.



National Volunteer Week, April 6-12, 2014, is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities. It's about demonstrating to the nation that by working together, we have the fortitude to meet our challenges and accomplish our goals. National Volunteer Week, a program of Points of Light and sponsored by Advil® as a part of the Advil® Relief in Action campaign, has grown exponentially over 40 years, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week. Learn more about National Volunteer Week at www.volunteermississippi.org



2014 GIVE AWARDS

Nominate an outstanding volunteer from your community for a prestigious **GIVE** (Governor's Initiative for Volunteer Excellence) **Award!** Every year, Volunteer Mississippi, in cooperation with the Office of the Governor, honors the accomplishments of Mississippians who have given exemplary volunteer service to their communities. GIVE Award recipients are presented with a beautiful award while their inspiring stories are shared at an event held specially for them in our capital city on **Monday, April 14, 2014**. The deadline for nominations is **February 26, 2014, 5:00 p.m.** Sponsorship opportunities and advance tickets available. Nominate today at <http://give.volunteermississippi.org>

2014 POSITIONED FOR PROGRESS CONFERENCE

Save the Date: April 29-30

Positioned for Progress is a statewide conference focused on aligning the work of the volunteer, nonprofit, corporate, and government sectors to maximize the social, health, and economic well-being of all Mississippians. The conference is focused on identifying, promoting, and recognizing collaborative efforts that better the lives of Mississippi citizens. Learn more and register at www.positionedforprogress.com.

Engage*Mississippi

A Collaboration Model to Leverage Mississippi's Charitable & Creative Economies

"It is amazing what we can accomplish together when no one cares who gets the credit."



This adage speaks to an altruism that Mississippi can embrace. There is a growing body of research that proves that "collective impact" can effectively solve critical problems. We must create an environment—a foundation of full collaboration—that supports resolutions in a manner that ensures that we utilize a business model for producing solutions. By moving away from a landscape of "individual impact" and collectively aligning resources toward common goals, we can create a foundation for solving community problems by leveraging a high-yield, return-on-investment model through collaboration and "collective impact."

In Mississippi, there is a need to formalize a mechanism of collaboration between stakeholders and service providers, focusing on intrinsic, community based needs and challenges. This mechanism will provide a foundation to support organizations and communities by providing a model for collaboration that maximizes return-on-investment with limited resources for measurable outcomes.

Engage*Mississippi can be this mechanism. This collaborative entity will utilize public/private partnerships, develop outreach methodologies to embody a collective impact, optimize the use of National Service programming and curricula, and provide strong infrastructure to local nonprofits to effectively leverage multiple funding sources (federal, state, local, corporate, foundation, higher education) as well as broad-spectrum volunteers from communities, colleges, and universities.

The **Engage*Mississippi** collaboration recognizes the critical role that community relationships can play to break isolation paradigms, build collaborative partnerships, and demonstrate measurable outcomes for a maximum return-on-investment. This strategy will break isolation paradigms, build collaborative partnerships, and demonstrate measurable outcomes for a maximum return-on-investment.

*Engage*Mississippi Partners*

- Mississippi Arts Commission • Mississippi Association of Grantmakers •
- Mississippi Center for Nonprofits • Mississippi Development Authority •
- Mississippi Economic Council • United Way • Volunteer Mississippi •

These entities have committed to collaborating so that by the year 2020, Mississippi's Charitable and Creative Economies will serve as national and world-wide models for bolstering growth in meaningful and measurable ways. By Spring 2015, the **Engage*Mississippi Alliance** will release the first Annual Report on Mississippi's Charitable and Creative Economies; create a strategic plan to maximize the use of resources throughout the state; and formalize a conduit for expanded resources for community organizations utilizing the Collective Impact Model.