

Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service SAMPLE PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's [counties/cities] are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with county officials and mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and mayors and county officials across the country for the Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service on April 5, 2016.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, [COUNTY OFFICIAL/MAYOR NAME], County Official/Mayor of [COUNTY/CITY], do hereby proclaim April 5, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our county; to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.



SAMPLE PROCLAMATION – WITH COUNTY/CITY DATA

[NOTE: The county/city-specific data to fill out this proclamation is available in your National Service County Profile. To receive your County/city Profile, please contact the CNCS Director in your state. A list of CNCS state offices [can be found here.](#)]

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's counties are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet county needs; and

WHEREAS, participants in AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from educating students for jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, including [NUMBER OF SERVICE LOCATIONS] in [COUNTY/CITY], bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our county's economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, more than [ROUNDED NUMBER OF CNCS PARTICIPANTS] national service participants of all ages and backgrounds serve in [COUNTY/CITY NAME], providing vital support to county residents and improving the quality of life in our county; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; including more than [DOLLAR AMOUNT OF LEVERAGED RESOURCES] in [COUNTY/CITY NAME]; and

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