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Message from NCCC National Director Mikel Herrington

A Fond Farewell

My time with the Corporation for National and Community Service has come to a close after nearly fourteen years. It has been a fulfilling time of discovery, challenge and growth for me. My greatest privilege while serving at CNCS has been my tenure as Director of AmeriCorps NCCC. NCCC is a program that changes the lives of members, the staff who support them, and the communities who benefit from their services. It is a program rooted in the creativity and passion of its corps and their dedication to service. It is a program tended and nurtured by committed staff. Many staff are alumni of the program. Some who are not alumni have served with NCCC for many years while others have arrived more recently with deep service experience that has enriched the program. Our community project sponsors provide NCCC members with the opportunity to flourish through serving communities across the country. These communities have in turn reaped the rewards of NCCC teams' service. They understand the critical need for national service, the need to engage the passion and innovation of each new generation in fostering the growth and well being of our great nation.



This is a picture of me in 1986 as a volunteer teacher in Chongqing, China with a group of my students.

We often say that service is transformative, and that has certainly been my personal experience. In 1986, I began two years of service as a volunteer in China. At the time, I thought it would be a great adventure and a way to see the world while I decided what I wanted to do with the rest of my life. Little did I realize how much serving and working with people thousands of miles from my family's small farm in South Carolina would fundamentally change me and lead to a life of public service. I have chosen a life of service because it presents me with never ending opportunities to learn and an environment in which I witness the best in people far more frequently than the worst. I leave my position with NCCC in strong and capable hands. Kate Raftery is the new NCCC Director. Kate brings a lifetime of demonstrated excellence in the field of service. She will ensure that AmeriCorps NCCC remains a shining example of the impact national service has on our members and on our nation. As for me, I will begin training shortly for my new position as Peace Corps Country Director in Bulgaria. In returning to international service, my life has come full circle. Thank you to all my friends in the NCCC, on the NCCC Advisory Board, at CNCS, and in communities across the country. I will always feel connected to AmeriCorps NCCC, the Corporation for National and Community Service, and the communities we serve.



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A Message From Advisory Board Chair Kate Becker

Everyone who has ever served in the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) knows that you make life-long friends in 10 months who will change you forever. You know that the commitment to serve our country and make a difference creates a bond that is impossible to break. Mikel Herrington made more than a 10 month commitment. Beginning in Charleston, SC, for 13 years the NCCC has benefited from Mikel's astuteness, diplomacy and passion. As National Director of NCCC, Mikel deepened the understanding of NCCC's impact with many important stakeholders, both internal and external to CNCS.

Everyone who has ever served in the NCCC knows that good-bye's are not easy but they also know that a good bye is really a 'see-ya-soon'. There is something about the NCCC that draws people in and keeps them connected as champions for life. Mikel, we look forward to you being a supporter of national service and of NCCC into the long-term future. Peace Corps Volunteers in Bulgaria are lucky to get you! You will be missed and we know that we will see you soon!

We have been fortunate to have had an overlap of service with our outgoing and incoming National Directors. Kate Raftery-- welcome to the NCCC! You are joining a world-class team! The board, the staff and the alumni stand ready to support you. We are confident that you will sustain the positive momentum of this best-in-class-national-service-program and we wish you well.

The NCCC has never been more relevant or more important as we serve communities experiencing their most difficult challenges—natural or otherwise. The work of the NCCC is as critical as ever.

CNCS Selects 20 Year Peace Corps Veteran Kate Raftery as New Director of NCCC

CNCS is pleased to welcome Kate Raftery as the newly selected director of the National Civilian Community Corps. Ms. Raftery joined NCCC on April 20, 2011 and has hit the ground running, beginning her tenure with a quick meet and greet at NCCC Headquarters, followed with a visit to the Vicksburg, Mississippi Campus for the annual progress review. She brings with her considerable experience managing international volunteers, and has worked closely with government leaders at all levels, as well as private and civil society leaders.

Ms. Raftery most recently served as vice president for learning and citizenship at the International Youth Foundation (IYF) where she provided leadership to programs which increase educational and economic opportunities for youth globally, as well as empowering youth to be actively engaged members of their community and country. Prior to working with IYF Ms. Raftery served more than 20 years with the Peace Corps in a number of positions, most recently as acting chief of field assistance for the Office of Program and Training support. Her other roles at Peace Corps included country director positions in St. Lucia, Peru, and Honduras as well as the director of overseas training and the chief of operations for Latin America and the Caribbean. She has also worked as the executive director of the National Park Foundation, the private sector arm of the National Park Service, and as the vice president of Partners of the Americas.

NCCC More Than Doubles Its YDC Application Numbers in One Year

by Katrina Mathis

The Serve America Act has given AmeriCorps NCCC the goal of increasing the ranks of its youth from disadvantaged circumstances (YDC) to 50 percent of its corps by 2012, and we are already showing great gains. From fall 2010 to fall 2011 NCCC's application numbers for this population increased by 262 percent. The raw data shows that we received 128 applications for fall 2010 and 336 applications for fall 2011, an increase of 208 applications. Our goals for fiscal years 2011 and 2012 are to continue to exponentially increase our applicant numbers for this demographic while also ensuring that more of these applicants convert to members. Thus, over the next year and a half NCCC will ramp up its outreach and recruitment efforts to its pipeline partner organizations, both nationally and throughout the regions.

NCCC Advisory Board Members continued

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NCCC in the News

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to see recent NCCC media
coverage.*

[New Castle County Habitat for
Humanity & NCCC Assist
Homeowners in Delaware](#)

[Good things Growing in
Camden, NJ – NCCC & Camden
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Townhomes](#)

Corps Member Profile: Mario Shinault

Job Corps Grad Plies his Experience with NCCC, Looks Forward to Continued Service

by Tim Boyle, team leader

“Make every experience a fun experience,” said Mario Shinault, providing sage advice for future classes of NCCC. Six months ago, Mario was brand new to the program. Now, halfway through his third project round, his advice shows that he has learned one of the secrets to having a good corps year.

Mario, a 20-year-old from Renton, Washington, joined AmeriCorps NCCC after spending some time with Job Corps. It was through a CAPPING event at his Job Corps Center that he first learned of NCCC. Though he was not initially interested in joining, he reconsidered after seeing another advertisement at the Center and hearing more about the program from friends who had participated.

Over the course of three rounds, Mario has participated in three very different projects. During Round 1, he and his permanent team, Sun 7, traveled to

Houston, TX to work for the city’s Department of Parks and Recreation. Work there included linear forest restoration and the removal of invasive tree species. His second project with Sun 7 was in Tulsa, OK, where the team worked for the Community Action Project. The team was responsible for helping lower income families properly prepare their tax information, with the hopes of maximizing their returns.

Now with his shuffle team, Sun 2, Mario is working for Peace Jam in Denver. At Peace Jam, the team facilitates Global Call-to-Action projects with groups of middle school students. These projects are mini service projects based around the lives and ideals of Nobel Peace Laureates. Projects are broken into three parts: education,

inspiration and action. Mario stated that this project has been his favorite so far and has led to some of his best memories of the program. He particularly enjoyed leading his group in discussions, saying that the activities allowed him to be himself and have fun with the kids.

Mario has learned a lot about himself since joining the program in October. *continued page 8*



Mario leads a 6th grade volunteer during a service project at Cherry Creek State Park in Denver . This project, during CTI in October 2010, brought together the strength of all 300 Southwest Region members and 500 sixth graders to restore trails and remove invasive species at the park.



Mario Shinault-team: Mario (front) poses with Sun 7 teammates Meg Lancaster, Jessie Hemming, Mike McFadden, Marissa Goodstone, Corey May, Emily Hoffman, Scott Busby, and Ben Udell during spike travel on their way to Tulsa , O K in January 2011.

NCCC in the News continued

Volunteers Aid City in Green Spring Clean Event

AmeriCorps Team Partners with MDC for Prairie Preservation

Boulder Installs Bat Gate at Mallory Cave

Woman Works with AmeriCorps NCCC to Renovate Camp

NCCC Deployment Highlights

Pacific Region

Woodlake Elementary School

Oak Ridge Elementary School

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks

Sunfield Education Association

Plumas National Forest/USDA Forest Service

Los Angeles Regional Foodbank

Wyoming State Parks, Historic Sites, and Trails

Camp Fire USA Inland Northwest Council

Rebuilding Together Pasadena

YMCA of Pomona Valley

Camp Fire USA - Central Puget Sound Council

F.C. Joyce Elementary School

Larchmont Elementary School

Community Action Partnership of Northwest Montana

St. Dorothy's Rest & Retreat Center - Camp Meeker

Camp Marshall

Catalina Island Conservancy

Orange County Department of Education - Outdoor Science

Lakeside's River Park Conservancy

Habitat for Humanity - Kauai

State Commission Collaboration

NCCC Builds Strong Relationships with State Commissions Through Joint Needs Assessment

From providing the basic needs of children, to expanding the Cities of Service initiative to new cities, state commissions in Kentucky and Tennessee have partnered with the NCCC Southern Region to meet critical needs in their states.

The Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service (KCCVS) has been a key partner of the Southern Region Campus since its 2009 opening in Vicksburg. KCCVS' Build-a-Bed project was selected as the 2010 National Kickoff for AmeriCorps Week. Build-a-Bed organizers utilized three Southern Region teams to prepare materials and lead 700 volunteers in building more than 550 beds for Kentucky children during a 24-hour blitz. To show her gratitude and support, KCCVS Executive Director Eileen Cackowski traveled to Vicksburg to give the keynote address at the graduation awards banquet.

The KCCVS provides support to NCCC through ongoing outreach, as well as visiting teams serving in Kentucky. The commission has included information about NCCC, with contact details, on its website, as well as upcoming application deadlines and events in its newsletters. In March, KCCVS hosted Assistant Program Director Jen Prall for a half-day meeting to discuss the needs, issues and challenges in Kentucky. Together they discussed future collaborations for projects, training and special events.

"Without AmeriCorps NCCC there would not have been a Build-a-Bed Blitz," said Ms. Cackowski. "If there had not been a Blitz, it probably would not have been more than 100 beds built by fewer volunteers. The 700 outside volunteers that came to help build during the 24 hours had the opportunity to meet some of America's finest...How do you judge impact when 500 children sleeping on the floor finally can have a bed? How do you judge impact when because of the beds, children sleep better and (perform) better in class the next day? How do you judge impact when a Mom writes to tell us that her child's bed will become an heirloom to be passed down for generations? What AmeriCorps NCCC did for Kentucky will last for years. Healthier, stronger children will help build a healthier, stronger Kentucky."

In Tennessee, Jerry Herman, Executive Director of CNCS Tennessee State Office, along with Jim Snell, Executive Director of Volunteer Tennessee, accepted an invitation from the Southern Region to hold a brainstorming session to identify the most compelling needs and project opportunities in Tennessee. The two leaders hosted Southern Region Assistant Program Director Sonya Burks at Volunteer Tennessee's office in Nashville in March. The group exemplified team work in its truest form, resulting in Burks collecting potential project contacts, and better understanding needs of the state, especially its education system. Particularly, the group held discussions and formalized thoughts regarding potential projects with nonprofits in Memphis, one of a select number of NCCC Targeted Cities.

Through contacts from the group, Burks conducted meetings with five nonprofits in Memphis with missions strongly tied to NCCC's issue areas. These included a meeting with Kerry Hayes, special assistant to Mayor A.C. Wharton, City of Memphis, and Madeline Patterson, Urban Fellow at Cities of Service Rhodes College. The general topic of discussion related to how NCCC could support the city's new "Cities of Service" initiative. Thanks to this meeting, the Mayor's office completed an NCCC Project Concept Form, the first step of NCCC's application process for a team. More outreach meetings are to follow in the state to promote service and project opportunities with NCCC.



Reflection from Build-a-Bed that permanently hangs in the middle of KCCVS' office.

NCCC Deployment Highlights continued

City of Sacramento Park
Operations Division

Eastern Idaho Community
Action Partnership

Children Youth & Family
Collaborative

Bureau of Land Management -
Mother Lode Field Office

South Slough National Estuarine
Research Reserve

Woodland Joint Unified School
District

Camp Stevens

Oregon Parks and Recreation
Department

United Methodist Camp Cedar
Glen

Eldorado National Forest/USDA
Forest Service

County of San Diego
Department of Parks and
Recreation

Southwest Region

Marycrest Assisted Living

St. Louis County Parks

Pinnacle State Park

EcoServants

Rebuilding Together Metro
Denver

City of Boulder Open Spaces
and Mountain Parks

White Oak Lake State Park

Ferndale Presbyterian Camp

Garden Place Academy

Big Bend National Park

Arizona State Parks

The Nature Conservancy

USDA Forest Service -
Oklahoma Ranger District

City of Casa Grande

Grand Canyon Trust

PeaceJam

Alumni Profile

Alum Steph Kasa Gains Confidence and Direction Through Service with Team

by Steph Kasza

I never knew what I was getting into. I thought I did, but I really had no idea. Even now, when I try to explain the impact that NCCC made on my life, I have difficulties. Summing up my ten months in the program in two words, outrageously unpredictable. As a Service Learning Initiator in Class 16 in Vinton, Iowa, I helped others see the bigger picture. Now, months after the program ended, I finally do see the bigger picture.

NCCC changed my life in remarkable ways. I gained confidence in myself. I know that I can overcome challenges and complete any task. I can revel in new responsibilities and solve problems that I didn't have the confidence to even attempt before. I learned to be comfortable with being uncomfortable and have been sharing that life lesson with people I come across. Whether I am being asked to be a guest speaker who talks about social justice and volunteerism, or whether I am randomly giving people elevator speeches to people I don't know, I always have a difficult time explaining exactly what NCCC is. What I can tell them is that it's not about doing something completely selflessly, but about how at times, you have to be selfless to make the world a better place.

NCCC was perfect. Parts of it were incredibly hard and parts of it were easy. But everything was an experience. Everything from my ten months of the program added to almost every aspect of my life. I learned that if you're always in your comfort zone, you're never going to evolve or move forward in the world. A big part of that lesson was that it is completely acceptable to ask questions. When I was not in my comfort zone and during the times I had no idea what was going on, being outside of that zone forced me to learn. Of course, there is always the fear that people are going to think less of you for asking a question that they may already know the answer to, but that never happened. Even if someone on my team already knew the answer, they understood and supported everyone else's comfort zones. NCCC also taught me how to choose my attitude and how my attitude affects other people and how it reflects on me.

When I got home after the program, people thought I was crazy. Live with ten people for ten months? One van, a place to sleep that changes every six weeks, working sometimes 14 hour days helping people only to come home to the one bathroom for your entire team? People don't get it. And when you try to explain it, it gets even more difficult. You remember specific days and events that impacted your life and you want to share those. Then you remember something else and how the one inside joke your team had the entire year got you through some of the toughest times of the year. But I never stop trying to explain it.

NCCC equals family. It takes a special breed to be able to do what is required of the program. That may contest with the fact that each team is made up of some of the most diverse individuals you never would have met or been friends otherwise, but it's true. It's amazing to see how everything comes together to create a team, a team that even now I keep in touch with. I know that I have such a large support system now, all around the United States. I have people that I can count on to help me get out of a predicament or to call when I'm having a really great day and want to share the good news.

Coming into NCCC I thought I knew exactly what I was going to do with my life. I had my Art degree and I knew what I was going to do with it. When I left NCCC, I



Steph Kasza

NCCC Deployment Highlights continued

Habitat for Humanity - Metro Denver

North Central Arizona National Monuments

Wildlands Restoration Volunteers

Missouri Department of Conservation

Faith Communities for Disaster Recovery

The Land Heritage Institute Boys and Girls Club

Veterans Green Jobs

Boys and Girls Club of Farmington

Greensburg GreenTown

American Conservation Experience (ACE)

Habitat for Humanity-Central Oklahoma

Southern Region

Friends of the Russell Fork Long Hunter State Park

St. Bernard Project

USDA Forest Service-Monongahela National Forest

American Red Cross - MS Capital River Chapter

Habitat for Humanity - Birmingham

Habitat for Humanity - Bay-Waveland Area

Weeks Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve

Operation Helping Hands of Catholic Charities

City of Fort Myers

Pass Road To The Future

Habitat for Humanity - Mississippi Gulf Coast

Rebuilding Together New Orleans

One Economy Corporation

rethought my professional career path. I didn't believe in careers before. I wanted to be able to be free to choose and experience everything that I could. Now, thanks to NCCC I am attending grad school for nonprofit management, while working at Party City as part of a conversion crew, and my life has taken on a completely new direction and a passion for careerism. Without the experience NCCC has given me, I never would have considered it though. My experience has given me substance to what I want to do. If I am helping someone else, it gives me more substance than just a paycheck ever could.

Sponsor Spotlight

Courtney's House Tackles Tough Issue of Human Trafficking of Children; NCCC Raven 7 Helps Rehab New Drop-in Center with NCCC Alum on Staff

The Courtney's House initiative was started in August 2008 and is dedicated to the mission of ending domestic sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of all children between the ages of 12 and 18 years. Courtney's House focuses on providing direct services to children and will soon be opening a group home.

Other services provided by the organization include weekly street outreach, a hotline number for victims and referrals, CSEC support groups, individual counseling/therapy, and intensive case management."

An AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) team from the Atlantic Region, Raven 7, is helping Courtney's House to rehabilitate their new drop-in center.



One of the bedrooms furnished by Courtney's House

Courtney's House is a first-time project sponsor for NCCC.

The project was brought to the attention of NCCC by one of its own alumni; who for sensitivity reasons is referred to as "Erin N." Erin N. is now an Assistant Project Manager at Courtney's House. Erin N. recently remarked, "I had done similar construction projects when I was in AmeriCorps NCCC but I never encountered projects dealing with human trafficking. I thought this would be a great opportunity for the team to not only develop construction skills, but also learn about an important issue."

Courtney's House, was founded by Tina Frundt, herself a survivor of domestic child sex trafficking. Courtney's House believes that providing a safe space and direct services for sex trafficked children is a small but much needed key to success.

For more information about Courtney's House please visit - <http://www.courtneyshouse.org/About-Us.html> or email: info@courtneyshouse.org

For more information about becoming an NCCC project sponsor please visit http://www.americorps.gov/for_organizations/apply/nccc.asp

AmeriCorps NCCC is on LinkedIn!

Join AmeriCorps NCCC Alumni (Official Group). This is the official group for AmeriCorps NCCC alumni and friends of alumni to share knowledge and experience, network, and reconnect with each other. To join go to www.linkedin.com, search for "AmeriCorps NCCC Alumni (Official Group)" and submit a join request.

NCCC Deployment Highlights continued

Greenville County Recreation District - Camp Spearhead

Arkwings Foundation, Inc.

American Red Cross - MS Capital River Chapter

North Central Region

YMCA Storer Camps

Habitat for Humanity - Iowa

Groundwork Milwaukee

Flint Housing Commission

Pretty Lake Vacation Camp

Crossroads for Youth

Camp Echoing Hills

Sherman Lake YMCA

Gorman Heritage Farm

Habitat for Humanity - Iowa

YMCA of Greater Indianapolis

Akron Summit Community Action, Inc.

Habitat for Humanity - Greater Columbus

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Western North Dakota / Souris River Basin

YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit -

Habitat for Humanity-Omaha Nechama

Sugar Creek Bible Camp

Louisa County Conservation Board

United Way of Porter County

Important Dates

May 1st-Winter Class XVIII Team Leader Application Period Opens

May 16th-Pacific XVII Round 3 ends

May 16th-Southwest XVII Round 4 begins

May 17th-Pacific XVII Round 4 begins

NCCC Corps Member Mixes it Up AmeriCorps Style with Second Year of National Service

Former Hoosier Academy cadet Michael Brown was the Jackson Free Press Person of the Day, April 21, 2011.

He is currently serving at a shelter in Clinton, helping residents who were displaced by the recent tornadoes.

Michael will soon be closing out his 10 month term of service at our Southern Region campus, in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and has tentative plans to become a City Year (another AmeriCorps program) member. Michael is a shining example of how the effective coordination and collaboration of youth programs (YC, NCCC and City Year) can yield positive results for our nation's communities and its youth. You can read Michael's story [here](#).



Michael Brown

Pacific Region Campus Teams Busy with Trail Maintenance and Fire Team Work

Gold 4 is currently performing fuel reduction and providing camp support at St. Dorothy's Rest in Camp Meeker, California.



Collin is putting out a prescribed fire.



Gold 4 with one of their sponsors poses behind a car that runs on vegetable oil.

May 26th-Southern XVII Graduation

June 30th-NCCC Advisory Board Meeting

August 31st-Winter Class XVIII Corps Member Application Period Closes

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Gold 4 is currently performing fuel reduction and providing camp support at St. Dorothy's Rest in Camp Meeker, California.



Ariel hauls brush to a prescribed fire. Kate and Lara on trail maintenance.

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Job Corps Grad Plies his Experience with NCCC, Looks Forward to Continued Service

His communication skills have improved, he has become more outgoing and he has a better understanding of what it means to be independent. His current plans for after graduation include applying for a VISTA position with Peace Jam, applying to serve a second term as a Corps Member, or attending the Art Institute of Denver. No matter where he ends up, he looks forward to utilizing the many skills he has learned through his service with NCCC.

NCCC Advisory Board Public Meeting

The next AmeriCorps NCCC Advisory Board Public Comment Forum will take place Thursday, June 30, 2011 at 2:00 to 3:00 PM EST. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- I. Meeting Convenes
- II. Committee Reports:
 - Projects and Partnership Committee
 - Member Services Committee
 - Policy and Operations Committee
- III. Public Comment

AmeriCorps NCCC Advisory Board Public Comment location and call-in information will be provided as we get closer to the event.