National Service in the US









History

U.S. militia, 1600's – 1900's



CCC Camps - 1933



Great Depression – 1920's-30's



GI Bill - 1944



History of National Service



History





1961 – JFK est. Peace Corps



History

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) – 1960's



Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) - 1964



Youth Conservation Corps – 1970's



History and Legislation

- 1970: VISTA merges with PC and Sr. Corps
- **1990:** Pres. Bush signs the National Community Service Act of 1990 (Learn and Serve)
- 1993: Pres. Clinton signs National Community Service Trust Act (AmeriCorps and Corporation for National and Community Service)

History and Legislation

- **1994:** 1st AmeriCorps 20,000 people serving 1,000 communities
- **1999:** AmeriCorps has 150,000 members
- **2000:** Pres. Bush creates USA Freedom Corps, proposes 50% expansion of AmeriCorps

History and Legislation

- 2009: Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act
 - Creates new service Corps
 - Increases AmeriCorps Positions from 88,000 today to 250,000 in 2017
 - Increases Education Award (starting FY 2010-2011)

Change over time?

- Military Civilian
- Pre-service aid ———— Post-service Aid
- Service to country ————— Personal Growth







Streams of Service

- AmeriCorps
 - National Direct
 - Receive funding directly from CNCS
 - Programs in 2 or more states
 - -VISTA
 - Serve to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses, & increase housing opportunities
 - -NCCC
 - Full time residential program