

North Dakota State Commission on National and Community Service

2016-2019 State Service Plan

North Dakota State Commission on National and Community Service is a 15-member board who are appointed by the Governor. Federal AmeriCorps resources from the Corporation for National and Community Service are awarded to organizations seeking to deliver services through an evidence based approach creating community solutions. Veterans and their families, people with disabilities, and older adults will be priority populations to serve as AmeriCorps members and volunteers. Management efforts will continue towards solutions that reach beyond continuous government support. In addition, the ND State Commission will support organizations that model delivery systems that address one or more of the following focus areas:

Focus Areas as Defined in the Serve America Act

Disaster Services	Environmental Stewardship	Healthy Futures
Education	Economic Opportunities	Veterans and Military Families

State Service Plan Objectives:

1. North Dakota State Commission volunteer initiative
 - a. Support development of organizational capacity to increase the quantity and quality of North Dakota's volunteers.
 - b. Attract, retain, and expand North Dakota's volunteers.
 - c. Develop new service opportunities through workshops, town halls, and trainings.
 - d. Support cross sector collaboration as a service strategy to increase the number of volunteers
2. North Dakota State Commission will improve existing services and programs
 - a. Annual trainings held at the beginning of the program year.
 - b. Survey to evaluate the member experience.
 - c. Recruitment and retention of AmeriCorps members.
 - Individuals 55 and over
 - College Students
 - Veterans and Families
 - People with Disabilities
3. North Dakota State Commission board members and program staff will promote the mission and goals of community service
 - a. Engage in professional learning opportunities to strengthen community service leadership.
 - b. Provide educational development opportunities to enhance sustainability for community service agencies such as nonprofits and faith-based organizations.