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### **Volunteer Louisiana Announces 2018-2019 AmeriCorps State Grants**

Volunteer Louisiana is pleased to announce over \$5.5 million in grant funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) for the 2018-19 service year. The grants will support 19 AmeriCorps State programs, engage over 1,000 AmeriCorps members in service and help meet critical needs in 29 parishes statewide. These grants will be matched with \$5.5 million in local support and will provide over \$3.8 million in Segal Education Awards for participants.

Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser, an advocate for national service, states, “AmeriCorps members are making a difference every day and have been indispensable during times of natural disasters in Louisiana. I am proud to support their efforts and to promote national service as a solution to help meet local needs.”

AmeriCorps operational grants were awarded to Boys & Girls Club of Acadiana; Boys & Girls Club of Greater Baton Rouge; Boys & Girls Club of North Central Louisiana; Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Louisiana; Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans; City Year Baton Rouge; City Year New Orleans; Communities in Schools of Greater New Orleans; Impact Lake Charles; Serve Louisiana; Rebuilding Together New Orleans; ReNew Schools; ShreveCorps; Synergy, Education and Environment of West Monroe; Teach for America; the University of Louisiana at Lafayette AmeriCorps; and Up2Us Sports. AmeriCorps planning grants were awarded to the Life of a Single Mom and the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs.

Through these AmeriCorps state programs, members will serve with in-school and after-school programs as tutors and mentors, improve health and safety outcomes for kids and families, address food insecurity, improve housing and respond to natural disasters.

“We congratulate each of these grant recipients for their hard work in addressing critical issues. National service is a force multiplier, and we know that their AmeriCorps members will have a profound impact on the people and communities they serve,” states Judd Jeansonne, Executive Director of Volunteer Louisiana.

2018 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Volunteer Louisiana, the State Service Commission. Volunteer Louisiana manages AmeriCorps State programs, promotes volunteerism, and

coordinates spontaneous, unaffiliated volunteers in times of disaster. It is supported by grants from the Corporation for National and Community Service and is housed in Office of the Lieutenant Governor. For a complete list of all 2018 -2019 state AmeriCorps programs visit [VolunteerLouisiana.gov](http://VolunteerLouisiana.gov).

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