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VOLUNTEER LOUISIANA AND AMERICA'S SERVICE COMMISSIONS TO HOST NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING FOR AMERICORPS AND NONPROFIT LEADERS

*More than 400 service staff from the Midwest and South Central U.S. to attend
national training in New Orleans*

NEW ORLEANS – Volunteer Louisiana, in partnership with America's Service Commissions (ASC), is hosting a 2023 National Service Training – Central Region event in New Orleans from May 2-4, 2023, at the Intercontinental Hotel New Orleans for approximately 450 nonprofit, AmeriCorps, and volunteer engagement professionals from the Central and Midwest regions of the country. This professional development training is designed specifically for those working in the national service field, state service commission staff, AmeriCorps members, and volunteer engagement partners. The theme for this year's event is "*Expanding What's Possible*," and will include keynote speakers, peer networking, and in-depth workshops on topics ranging from program and grant management to leadership to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

"National Service is a strong example of a public-private partnership that helps address local needs. It is a force multiplier and members in every community around Louisiana work tirelessly to improve the lives of their neighbors," said Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser. "One of the most important assets we have in Louisiana is our people and their willingness to pitch in and help their neighbors in a time of crisis. It truly says a lot about the Louisiana spirit. We are excited to be able to host this event in New Orleans and share our spirit with the rest of the country."

Each in-person event features three plenary sessions, seven workshop blocks with 42 workshops offered, more than 60 presenters, and several networking opportunities.

"As the only organization providing dedicated training and technical assistance to state/territorial service commissions and their AmeriCorps and volunteer programs nationwide, our annual National Service Training events are critically important to the national service field," said Kaira Esgate, America's Service Commissions CEO.

Historically, America's Service Commission holds National Service Training events in three regions across the country. San Diego hosted the National Service Training – West Region event in March, and Charleston, West Virginia, is hosting the National Service Training – East Region event May 15-17. In recent years, ASC has also offered a virtual training option. The [National Service Training – Virtual event](#) will take place June 7-8, 2023.

Fifteen sponsors and exhibitors, including flagship sponsors GivePulse and America Learns, support the 2023 National Service Training events.

For more information, visit the [2023 National Service Training – Central Region webpage](#).

Volunteer Louisiana, located in the Office of Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser, manages 17 AmeriCorps State programs, promotes volunteerism, and coordinates spontaneous, unaffiliated volunteers in times of disaster. It is supported by grants from the federal agency, AmeriCorps. To learn more about the AmeriCorps State programs or for more information on Volunteer Louisiana, visit www.VolunteerLouisiana.gov.

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