Federal Funding Update

SERVE LEARN EARN

SerVermont: Vermont State Service Commission

Organization	Project	Federal Funding
Vermont State University	Vermont Rural Learning Collective	$437,867
Vermont Housing and Conservation Brd	Vermont Housing and Conservation Board	$686,683
Dept. of Environmental Conservation Vermont	ECO Vermont	$489,738
ReSOURCE: A Nonprofit Community Enterprise, Inc.	ReSOURCE Every Body Works	$254,421
Vermont Youth Conservation Corps Inc	Community Impact: Conservation and Agriculture AmeriCorps	$517,353

- On April 25th, the AmeriCorps agency immediately terminated $400 million in AmeriCorps grants across the country, 80% of all AmeriCorps State and National programs received notice of termination.
- AmeriCorps grants are 3-year grants and these figures represent the annual amount of funding.
- AmeriCorps members who were in service were immediately paused- their living stipends and health insurance will be paid through May.

Serve Learn Earn Funding

	SerVermont AmeriCorps	WANTO	National Rural Water Association	Department of Corrections	*Legislative SLE Funding*	*YouthBuild Americorps Funding*	*The Corps Network AmeriCorps Funding*	Total
Audubon Vermont	$61,300				*$94,193*			**$155,493**
ReSOURCE	$130,000				*$461,626*	*$150,000*		**$741,626**
Vermont Works for Women		$360,000	$40,000	$106,000	*$91,612*			**$597,612**
Vermont Youth Conservation Corps	$320,000				*$420,569*		*$125,000*	**$865,569**
Total	$450,000	$360,000	$40,000	$106,000	*$1,068,000*	*$150,000*	*$125,000*	**$2,360,300**

Impacts of funding cuts

- To assist current AmeriCorps members, many are being transitioned to stipend-roles at VYCC and Audubon. This will have implications for housing, food assistance, health care, and the Segal Education Award.
- Renewal of AmeriCorps grants are paused and will impact scope of programming next year.
- Plans for program expansion have been stopped and some programs are planning for reduced cohorts.
- Each program is reforecasting budgets and program plans for immediate, short-term, and long-term pivots.
- We are expecting a significant reduction in people served and training weeks for FY26.

Bright Spots

- Despite a reduction in benefits, young people still want to serve and are recommitting themselves to new non-AmeriCorps positions.
- Philanthropic partners are offering flexibility with grants and additional resources for program support.
- SLE partners are thinking creatively about ways to share resources, staff, and training opportunities.
- Necessity is the mother of invention: Conversations are starting about what a state-based service program could look like and there are models out there to inspire us!