AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps focus areas:

Natural and Other Disasters

Natural and Other Disaster projects address the needs of communities affected by floods, hurricanes, wildfires and other disasters. The focus is on preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery projects. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to: coordinating volunteers; managing distribution centers and shelters; preparing and distributing meals; clearing debris; enrolling victims into emergency-assistance databases; mucking and gutting; surveying community assets; distributing educational materials and preparedness kits; implementing disaster-preparedness curricula; mapping for improvements to community emergency response systems; and installing hurricane shutters, prescribed burns and fuel reduction.

Infrastructure Improvement

Infrastructure Improvement projects contribute to the safety and well being of community members through repairing and building structures. In addition, projects will improve basic facilities and services needed for the functioning of the community. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to: building wheelchair ramps; establishing community centers; assembling playgrounds; repairing and painting public facilities.

Environmental Stewardship and Conservation

In the tradition of the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s, Environmental Stewardship and Conservation projects help preserve and enhance a community's natural resources. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to: trail development and maintenance; planting trees; removing invasive plant species; cleaning up rivers, streams, and beaches; performing water quality assessments; and leading environmental education workshops and camps for youth.

Energy Conservation

Energy Conservation projects promote energy efficient practices with organizations, communities, families, or individuals. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to: providing energy efficiency assessments; assisting with installations of energy efficient appliances and light bulbs; developing recycling programs; performing home weatherization projects for low-income, disabled, and senior citizens; and providing and developing educational programming on sustainability and conservation practices.

Urban and Rural Development

Urban and Rural Development projects address the special needs of communities in ways that improve the quality of life for citizens and the success of whole communities. Examples of projects include, but are not limited to: supporting homeless shelters, food banks, youth and family service organizations; historical preservation; programming for seniors and special populations; renovating and constructing homes; leading neighborhood and community revitalization projects; and providing direct service to students, parents, and families through tutoring, one-on-one assistance, afterschool programming, employment counseling and health awareness.