



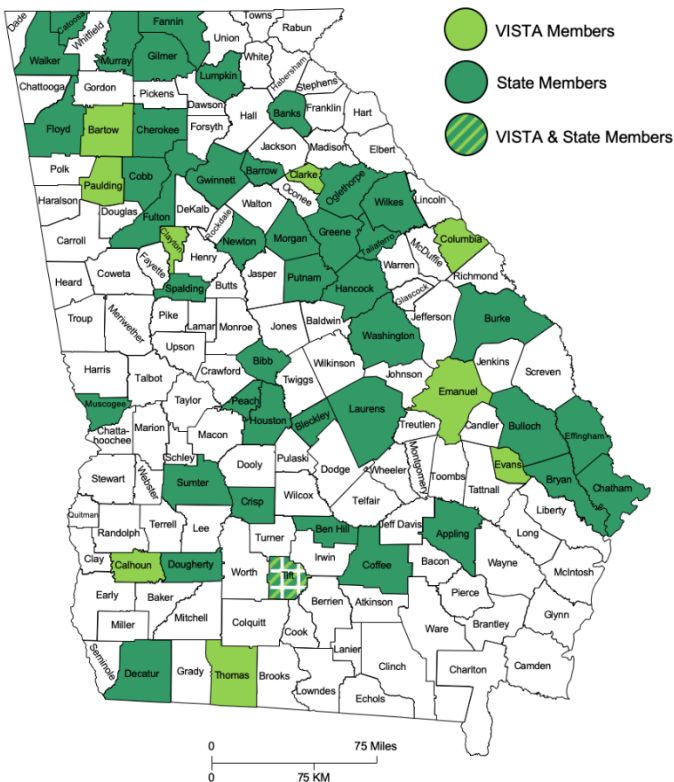
AmeriCorps and Georgia 4-H

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For the past nine years, AmeriCorps programs have provided more than the equivalent of 200 full-time members to support the shared goals of improving the lives of Georgians through education. AmeriCorps provides individuals that help Georgia 4-H Agents raise funds, develop resources, and reach youth in low-income counties and across the state.

The Corporation for National and Community Service funds AmeriCorps programs. Georgia 4-H is supported by two AmeriCorps grants - Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) and AmeriCorps State.

Service Year 2018 – 2019 AmeriCorps Locations



Impact Summary

AmeriCorps VISTA, 2010-2019

- More than \$677,174 raised in cash and non-cash resources
- More than 1,500 marketing materials produced
- More than 3,150 volunteers recruited

AmeriCorps State, 2012-2019

- 167 full-time member slots filled
- 63 half-time member slots filled
- Over 260,815 hours of service
- 1,500 volunteers recruited
- \$2,657,464 in federal funds
- Over \$519,000 in county and private funds leveraged

VISTA members provide indirect service throughout Georgia, in county, district, and the state 4-H offices. Members work with county Agents and state staff to increase needed resources, focused on building capacity.

AmeriCorps State members currently provide direct service to youth involved in 4-H positive youth development programming in 43 counties in Georgia.



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Georgia 4-H works to create a world in which youth and adults learn, grow, and work together as catalysts for positive change. The mission of Georgia 4-H is to assist youth in acquiring knowledge, developing life skills, and forming attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. This mission is accomplished, through "hands-on" learning experiences, focused on agricultural and environmental issues, agriculture awareness, leadership, communication skills, foods and nutrition, health, energy conservation, and citizenship.

Georgia 4-H is supported by two AmeriCorps grants - **Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)** and **AmeriCorps State**. VISTA was founded in 1965 as a national service program designed to fight poverty in America. The AmeriCorps State program, founded in 1993, supports a wide range of local service programs that address critical community needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment. Both programs are a part of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Funding for the State program is administered by the Georgia Commission on Service and Volunteerism.

2018- 2019

Georgia Commission on Service
& Volunteerism Funding:
\$492,756

2018- 2019

Corporation for National and
Community Service VISTA
Funding: **\$130,732**

AmeriCorps VISTA

AmeriCorps VISTA members focus on indirect projects that fight poverty through organizational capacity building. Since 2010, Georgia 4-H AmeriCorps VISTA members have:

- raised more than \$611,000 in cash resources,
- developed \$66,174 in noncash resources,
- produced more than 1,500 marketing pieces, and
- recruited more than 3,150 volunteers.

AmeriCorps State

AmeriCorps State members address critical community needs through direct services to youth.

Since 2012, 230 Georgia 4-H AmeriCorps State members have reached approximately

- 113,171 students through in-school programming,
- 73,228 students through 4-H Project Achievement, and
- recruited nearly 1,500 new volunteers that have contributed over 15,570 hours.

In addition to serving youth, program impact has been demonstrated through the collection and analysis of survey data. Most recent data shows:

- 4-H Club Meetings - 92% of students demonstrated knowledge of content presented.
- 4-H Project Achievement - 89% of students demonstrated knowledge of best practices in public speaking and 85% indicated confidence in or showed an increase in confidence in public speaking.



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