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To amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to expand and improve opportunities for service, and for other purposes.

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A BILL

To amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to expand and improve opportunities for service, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Serve America Act”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—NATIONAL SERVICE

Subtitle A—Service-Learning

Sec. 111. Youth engagement zones to strengthen communities.

Sec. 112. Campus of Service.

Sec. 113. Service-learning impact study.

Subtitle B—Supporting Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Sec. 121. Innovation and entrepreneurship.

Subtitle C—ServeAmerica Corps

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Subtitle D—Civic Health Index

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Subtitle E—ServeAmerica and Encore Fellowships

Sec. 151. ServeAmerica and Encore Fellowships.

Subtitle F—Volunteer Generation Fund; National Service Reserve Corps; Call To Service Campaign

Sec. 161. Statement of purposes.

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Sec. 163. National Service Reserve Corps.

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TITLE II—VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY PROGRAM

Sec. 201. Findings.

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Sec. 204. Authorization of appropriations.

1 **TITLE I—NATIONAL SERVICE**

2 **Subtitle A—Service-Learning**

3 **SEC. 111. YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONES TO STRENGTHEN** 4 **COMMUNITIES.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

6 (1) Engaging in service-learning and commu-
7 nity service activities at a young age makes individ-

1 uals more likely to continue to volunteer and engage
 2 in service throughout their lives.

3 (2) High-quality service-learning programs keep
 4 students engaged in school and increase the likeli-
 5 hood that they will graduate.

6 (3) Since its creation, the Learn and Serve
 7 America program has allowed more than 15,000,000
 8 students to take part in service-learning activities to
 9 improve their communities and schools.

10 (4) Most schools do not offer service-learning
 11 activities, but many students, particularly students
 12 at risk of dropping out, express an interest in serv-
 13 ice-learning.

14 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

15 (1) to provide increased high-quality service-
 16 learning opportunities for in-school and out-of-school
 17 youth in high-need, low-income communities as a
 18 strategy to retain and re-engage youth likely to drop
 19 out and youth who have dropped out;

20 (2) to encourage more individuals to engage in
 21 lifetimes of service by teaching young people the
 22 value of service early in their lives; and

23 (3) to establish youth engagement zones with
 24 the goal of involving all secondary school students
 25 served by a local educational agency in service-learn-

1 ing to solve a specific community challenge, through
 2 a program that can serve as a model for other com-
 3 munities.

4 (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Part I of subtitle B of
 5 title I of the National and Community Service Act of 1990
 6 (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subparts B and C as sub-
 8 parts C and D, respectively;

9 (2) by redesignating sections 115, 115A, 116,
 10 116A, and 116B as sections 114A through 114E,
 11 respectively; and

12 (3) by inserting after subpart A the following:

13 **“Subpart B—Youth Engagement Zones To Strengthen**
 14 **Communities**

15 **“SEC. 115. GRANT PROGRAM.**

16 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 “(1) COLLEGE-GOING RATE.—The term ‘col-
 18 lege-going rate’ means the percentage of high school
 19 graduates who enroll in an institution of higher edu-
 20 cation in the school year immediately following grad-
 21 uation from high school.

22 “(2) GRADUATION RATE.—The term ‘gradua-
 23 tion rate’ means the graduation rate for public sec-
 24 ondary school students, as defined in section
 25 1111(b)(2)(C)(vi) of the Elementary and Secondary

1 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
2 6311(b)(2)(C)(vi)).

3 “(3) LOW-INCOME STUDENT.—The term ‘low-
4 income student’ means a student who is eligible to
5 be counted under one of the measures of poverty de-
6 scribed in section 1113(a)(5) of the Elementary and
7 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
8 6313(a)(5)).

9 “(4) OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH.—The term ‘out-
10 of-school youth’ means youth of an appropriate age
11 to attend secondary school who are not currently en-
12 rolled in secondary schools.

13 “(5) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE.—The term
14 ‘youth engagement zone’ means the area in which a
15 youth engagement zone program is carried out.

16 “(6) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE PROGRAM.—
17 The term ‘youth engagement zone program’ means
18 a service-learning program in which members of a
19 partnership described in subsection (c) collaborate to
20 provide coordinated school-based or community-
21 based service-learning opportunities, to address a
22 specific community challenge, for secondary school
23 students served by the local educational agency in-
24 volved as described in subsection (d)(2)(B), and for

1 an increasing percentage of out-of-school youth, over
 2 5 years.

3 “(b) GENERAL AUTHORITY AND AVAILABILITY OF
 4 FUNDS.—

5 “(1) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subject to para-
 6 graph (3), the Corporation may make grants, on a
 7 competitive basis, to eligible partnerships to enable
 8 the partnerships to establish and carry out, in youth
 9 engagement zones, youth engagement zone programs
 10 with secondary school students and with out-of-
 11 school youth, in order to carry out projects to im-
 12 prove communities involving—

13 “(A) improving student engagement, in-
 14 cluding student attendance and student behav-
 15 ior, and student academic achievement, gradua-
 16 tion rates, and college-going rates, at secondary
 17 schools with high concentrations of low-income
 18 students;

19 “(B) maintaining and improving local
 20 parks, trails, and rivers, assisting in the devel-
 21 opment of local recycling programs, or imple-
 22 menting initiatives to improve local energy ef-
 23 fectively;

24 “(C) improving civic engagement and par-
 25 ticipation among individuals of all ages; or

1 “(D) carrying out another activity that fo-
 2 cuses on solving a community challenge faced
 3 by the community that the eligible partnership
 4 involved will serve.

5 “(2) GRANT PERIODS.—The Corporation shall
 6 make the grants for periods of 5 years.

7 “(3) GRANT AMOUNTS.—The Corporation shall
 8 make such a grant to a partnership in an amount
 9 of not less than \$250,000 and not more than
 10 \$1,000,000, based on the number of students served
 11 by the local educational agency in the partnership.

12 “(c) ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIPS.—To be eligible to re-
 13 ceive a grant under this section, a partnership—

14 “(1) shall include—

15 “(A) 1 or more community-based agencies
 16 that have demonstrated records of success in
 17 carrying out service-learning programs with
 18 low-income students, and that meet such cri-
 19 teria as the Chief Executive Officer may estab-
 20 lish; and

21 “(B)(i) a local educational agency for
 22 which—

23 “(I) a high number or percentage of
 24 the students served by the agency, as de-

1 terminated by the Corporation, are low-in-
2 come students; and

3 “(II) the graduation rate for the sec-
4 ondary school students served by the agen-
5 cy is less than 70 percent; or

6 “(ii)(I) a State Commission or State edu-
7 cational agency; and

8 “(II) more than 1 local educational agency
9 described in clause (i); and

10 “(2) may include—

11 “(A) a local government agency that is not
12 described in paragraph (1);

13 “(B) the office of the chief executive offi-
14 cer of a unit of general local government; or

15 “(C) an institution of higher education.

16 “(d) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
17 under this section, a partnership shall submit an applica-
18 tion to the Corporation at such time, in such manner, and
19 containing such information as the Corporation may re-
20 quire, which shall include—

21 “(1) a description of the project to improve the
22 community that the partnership is proposing to
23 carry out, including—

1 “(A) the community challenge the partner-
 2 ship seeks to address, and relevant data about
 3 the challenge in such community; or

4 “(B) a description of the process the part-
 5 nership will use, as part of the youth engage-
 6 ment zone program, to identify the community
 7 challenge the partnership will seek to address,
 8 including how the partnership will use relevant
 9 data to identify such challenge;

10 “(2) a description of how the partnership will
 11 work with secondary schools served by the local edu-
 12 cational agency that is included in such partnership
 13 in carrying out the project to assure that—

14 “(A) by the end of the third year of the
 15 grant period, a majority of the students in the
 16 secondary schools served by the local edu-
 17 cational agency will have participated in service-
 18 learning activities as part of the project; and

19 “(B) by the end of the fifth year of the
 20 grant period—

21 “(i) not less than 90 percent of the
 22 students in those schools will have partici-
 23 pated in service-learning activities as part
 24 of the project; or

1 “(ii) service-learning will be a manda-
 2 tory part of the curriculum in all of the
 3 secondary schools served by the local edu-
 4 cational agency;

5 “(3) a description of the amount of time for
 6 which the partnership will seek to have participating
 7 individuals participate in service-learning activities
 8 as part of the project, and how that time will be
 9 structured;

10 “(4) a description of the partnership’s plan to
 11 provide high-quality, ongoing service-learning profes-
 12 sional development and assistance to educators con-
 13 ducting service-learning activities through the youth
 14 engagement zone program;

15 “(5) a description of how the partnership will
 16 work to—

17 “(A) ensure that out-of-school youth in the
 18 community are included as participants in serv-
 19 ice-learning activities carried out through the
 20 project; and

21 “(B) re-engage out-of-school youth;

22 “(6) a description of how the partnership will
 23 work, through the project, to improve student en-
 24 gagement, including student attendance and student
 25 behavior, and student achievement, graduation rates,

1 and college-going rates, at schools served by the
 2 local educational agency that is included in the eligi-
 3 ble partnership;

4 “(7) a description of how the partnership will
 5 encourage participants to continue to engage in serv-
 6 ice after graduation from secondary school; and

7 “(8) a description of how youth in the commu-
 8 nity were involved in the development of the pro-
 9 posal for the project.

10 “(e) PRIORITY AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—

11 “(1) PRIORITY.—In making grants under this
 12 section, the Corporation shall give priority to eligible
 13 partnerships that serve high percentages or numbers
 14 of low-income students.

15 “(2) CONSIDERATION.—In making grants
 16 under this section, the Corporation shall take into
 17 consideration the relevant data about the challenges
 18 in communities that eligible partnerships include in
 19 their applications, if the relevant partnerships sub-
 20 mit such relevant data under subsection (d)(1)(A).

21 “(3) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—The Corpora-
 22 tion shall make the grants to a geographically di-
 23 verse set of eligible partnerships, including partner-
 24 ships that serve urban, and partnerships that serve
 25 rural, communities.

1 “(f) USE OF FUNDS.—

2 “(1) MANDATORY ACTIVITIES.—A partnership
3 that receives a grant under this section shall use the
4 funds made available through the grant to establish
5 and carry out a high-quality youth engagement zone
6 program designed to—

7 “(A) solve specific community challenges;

8 “(B) improve student engagement, includ-
9 ing student attendance and student behavior,
10 and student achievement, graduation rates, and
11 college-going rates in secondary schools;

12 “(C) involve an increasing percentage of
13 secondary school students and out-of-school
14 youth in the community in school-based or com-
15 munity-based service-learning activities each
16 year, with the goal of involving all students in
17 secondary schools served by the local edu-
18 cational agency and involving an increasing per-
19 centage of the out-of-school youth in service-
20 learning activities over the course of 5 years;
21 and

22 “(D) encourage participants to continue to
23 engage in service throughout their lives.

24 “(2) PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES.—A partnership
25 that receives a grant under this section may use the

1 funds made available through the grant for activities
2 described in section 111.

3 “(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Any requirement of
4 this subpart that applies to a local educational agency in
5 a partnership shall be considered to apply to each local
6 educational agency in the partnership.”.

7 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND RES-
8 ERVATIONS.—Section 501(a)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
9 12681(a)(1)) is amended—

10 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “title I”
11 and inserting “title I (other than subpart B of part
12 I)”;

13 (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking “sub-
14 part B” and inserting “subpart C”; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(C) SUBPART B OF PART I.—There is au-
17 thorized to be appropriated to carry out subpart
18 B of part I of subtitle B of title I—

19 “(i) \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

20 “(ii) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

21 “(iii) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year
22 2012;

23 “(iv) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year
24 2013; and

1 “(v) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year
2 2014.”.

3 **SEC. 112. CAMPUS OF SERVICE.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Providing service-learning courses to indi-
6 viduals who are students in institutions of higher
7 education can make such individuals more likely to
8 engage in service throughout their lives, and better
9 prepared to take on public service careers in the
10 nonprofit sector or government.

11 (2) While many institutions of higher education,
12 in using work-study funds for community service
13 under part C of title IV of the Higher Education
14 Act of 1965, considerably exceed the percentage of
15 such funds required to be used for such service, na-
16 tionally the amount of such funds used for such
17 service has remained relatively constant for the past
18 few years.

19 (3) The public service sector, including the non-
20 profit sector and government, faces many human
21 capital challenges, and institutions of higher edu-
22 cation can be a part of efforts to address the chal-
23 lenges.

24 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

1 (1) to identify and recognize institutions of
 2 higher education that serve as model Campuses of
 3 Service, in terms of engaging students in community
 4 service activities, providing service-learning courses,
 5 and encouraging or assisting graduates to pursue ca-
 6 reers in public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-
 7 ernment; and

8 (2) to allow such institutions to increase their
 9 ability to encourage or assist more students to pur-
 10 sue careers in public service, including public service
 11 careers in the nonprofit sector or government.

12 (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subtitle B of title I of
 13 the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42
 14 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
 15 the following:

16 **“PART III—CAMPUS OF SERVICE PROGRAM**

17 **“SEC. 119E. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation, after consulta-
 19 tion with the Secretary of Education, may annually des-
 20 ignate not more than 30 institutions of higher education
 21 as Campuses of Service, from among institutions nomi-
 22 nated by State Commissions. An institution that receives
 23 the designation shall have an opportunity to apply for
 24 funds under subsection (d), and may nominate additional

1 individuals for ServeAmerica Fellowships under section
 2 198E, as described in subsection (e).

3 “(b) APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for a nomi-
 5 nation to receive designation under subsection (a),
 6 and have an opportunity to apply for funds under
 7 subsection (d), for a fiscal year, an institution of
 8 higher education in a State shall submit an applica-
 9 tion to the State Commission at such time, in such
 10 manner, and containing such information as the
 11 State Commission may require.

12 “(2) CONTENTS.—At a minimum, the applica-
 13 tion shall include information specifying—

14 “(A)(i) the number of undergraduate and,
 15 if applicable, graduate service-learning courses
 16 offered at such institution for the most recent
 17 full academic year preceding the fiscal year for
 18 which designation is sought; and

19 “(ii) the number and percentage of under-
 20 graduate students and, if applicable, the num-
 21 ber and percentage of graduate students at
 22 such institution who were enrolled in the cor-
 23 responding courses described in clause (i), for
 24 that preceding academic year;

1 “(B) the percentage of undergraduate stu-
2 dents engaging in and, if applicable, the per-
3 centage of graduate students engaging in activi-
4 ties providing community services, as defined in
5 section 441(c) of the Higher Education Act of
6 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751(c)), during that pre-
7 ceding academic year, the quality of such activi-
8 ties, and the average amount of time spent, per
9 student, engaged in such activities;

10 “(C) for that preceding academic year, the
11 percentage of Federal work-study funds made
12 available to the institution under part C of title
13 IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42
14 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) that is used to compensate
15 students employed in providing community serv-
16 ices, as so defined, and a description of the ef-
17 forts the institution undertakes to make avail-
18 able to students opportunities to provide such
19 community services and be compensated
20 through such work-study funds;

21 “(D) at the discretion of the institution,
22 information demonstrating the degree to which
23 recent graduates of the institution, and all
24 graduates of the institution, have obtained full-
25 time public service employment in the nonprofit

sector or government, with a private nonprofit organization or a Federal, State, or local public agency; and

“(E) any programs the institution has in place to encourage or assist graduates of the institution to pursue careers in public service in the nonprofit sector or government.

“(c) NOMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION.—

“(1) NOMINATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A State Commission that receives applications from institutions of higher education under subsection (b) may nominate, for designation under subsection (a), not more than 3 such institutions of higher education, consisting of—

“(i) not more than one 4-year public institution of higher education;

“(ii) not more than one 4-year private institution of higher education; and

“(iii) not more than one 2-year institution of higher education.

“(B) SUBMISSION.—The State Commission shall submit to the Corporation the name and application of each institution nominated by the State Commission under subparagraph (A).

1 “(2) DESIGNATION.—The Corporation shall
 2 designate, under subsection (a), not more than 30
 3 institutions of higher education from among the in-
 4 stitutions nominated under paragraph (1). In mak-
 5 ing the designations, the Corporation shall, if fea-
 6 sible, designate various types of institutions, includ-
 7 ing institutions from each of the categories of insti-
 8 tutions described in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of para-
 9 graph (1)(A).

10 “(d) FUNDS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Using sums appropriated
 12 under section 501(a)(1)(D), the Corporation shall
 13 provide funds to institutions designated under sub-
 14 section (c), to be used by the institutions to imple-
 15 ment strategies to encourage or assist students from
 16 those institutions to pursue careers in public service
 17 in the nonprofit sector or government. The institu-
 18 tion may also use the funds to develop or dissemi-
 19 nate, to other institutions of higher education, serv-
 20 ice-learning models and best practices regarding
 21 service-learning.

22 “(2) PLAN.—To be eligible to receive funds
 23 under this subsection, an institution designated
 24 under subsection (c) shall submit a plan to the Cor-
 25 poration describing how the institution intends to

1 use the funds to encourage or assist those students
2 to pursue those careers.

3 “(3) ALLOCATION.—The Corporation shall de-
4 termine how the funds appropriated under section
5 501(a)(1)(D) for a fiscal year will be allocated
6 among the institutions submitting acceptable plans
7 under paragraph (2). In determining the amount of
8 funds to be allocated to such an institution, the Cor-
9 poration shall consider the number of students at
10 the institution, the quality and scope of the plan
11 submitted by the institution under paragraph (2),
12 and the institution’s current (as of the date of sub-
13 mission of the plan) strategies to encourage or assist
14 students to pursue public service careers in the non-
15 profit sector or government.

16 “(e) ADDITIONAL SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.—
17 An institution designated as a Campus of Service may
18 nominate additional individuals (relative to the number
19 that other institutions may nominate) for ServeAmerica
20 Fellowships under section 198E.”.

21 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 501(a)(1) of the National and Community Service Act of
23 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(1)), as amended by section
24 111(d), is further amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpart
 2 B of part I” and inserting “subpart B of part I and
 3 part III”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(D) PART III.—There is authorized to be
 6 appropriated to carry out part III of subtitle B
 7 of title I \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years
 8 2010 through 2014.”.

9 **SEC. 113. SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of title I of the Na-
 11 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 12 12521 et seq.), as amended by section 112(c), is further
 13 amended by adding at the end the following:

14 **“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY**

15 **“SEC. 119F. STUDY AND REPORT.**

16 “(a) STUDY.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall
 18 enter into a contract with an entity that is not oth-
 19 erwise a recipient of financial assistance under this
 20 subtitle, to conduct a 10-year longitudinal study on
 21 the impact of the activities carried out under this
 22 subtitle.

23 “(2) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study, the
 24 entity shall consider the impact of service-learning
 25 activities carried out under this subtitle on students

1 participating in such activities, including in par-
 2 ticular examining the degree to which the activi-
 3 ties—

4 “(A) improved student academic achieve-
 5 ment;

6 “(B) improved student engagement;

7 “(C) improved graduation rates; and

8 “(D) improved the degree to which the
 9 participants in the activities engaged in subse-
 10 quent national service, volunteering, or other
 11 service activities, or pursued careers in public
 12 service, in the nonprofit sector or government.

13 “(3) ANALYSIS.—In carrying out such study,
 14 the entity shall examine the impact of the service-
 15 learning activities on the 4 factors described in sub-
 16 paragraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (2), ana-
 17 lyzed in terms of how much time participants were
 18 engaged in service-learning activities.

19 “(4) BEST PRACTICES.—The entity shall collect
 20 information on best practices concerning using serv-
 21 ice-learning activities to improve the 4 factors.

22 “(b) REPORT.—The entity shall submit a report to
 23 the Corporation containing the results of the study and
 24 the information on best practices. The Corporation shall
 25 submit such report to the Committee on Education and

1 Labor of the House of Representatives and the Committee
 2 on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate,
 3 and shall make such report available to the public on the
 4 Corporation’s website.

5 “(c) CONSULTATION AND DISSEMINATION.—On re-
 6 ceiving the report, the Corporation shall consult with the
 7 Secretary of Education to review the results of the study,
 8 and to identify best practices concerning using service-
 9 learning activities to improve the 4 factors described in
 10 subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (a)(2). The
 11 Corporation shall disseminate information on the identi-
 12 fied best practices.”.

13 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 14 501(a)(1) of the National and Community Service Act of
 15 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(1)), as amended by section
 16 112(d), is further amended—

17 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpart
 18 B of part I and part III” and inserting “subpart B
 19 of part I, and parts III and IV”; and

20 (2) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(E) PART IV.—There are authorized to be
 22 appropriated to carry out part IV of subtitle B
 23 of title I such sums as may be necessary for
 24 each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.”.

1 **Subtitle B—Supporting Social**
 2 **Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

3 **SEC. 121. INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title I of the National and Com-
 5 munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511 et seq.) is
 6 amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subtitles F through I as
 8 subtitles H through K; and

9 (2) by inserting after subtitle E the following:

10 **“Subtitle F—Social Innovation and**
 11 **Entrepreneurship**

12 **“PART I—COMMISSION ON CROSS-SECTOR**
 13 **SOLUTIONS**

14 **“SEC. 167. COMMISSION.**

15 “(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
 16 ings:

17 “(1) Nonprofit organizations play a significant
 18 role in addressing national and local challenges that
 19 impact economically disadvantaged individuals.

20 “(2) Innovative nonprofit organizations often
 21 serve as a research and development engine for the
 22 social service sector, identifying effective solutions to
 23 national and local challenges.

24 “(3) Despite the important role effective non-
 25 profit organizations play in addressing national and

1 local challenges, such organizations face administra-
2 tive and efficiency barriers in maximizing their work
3 with businesses and the government, and limited re-
4 sources are available to help such organizations in-
5 crease their capacity to deliver services more effec-
6 tively, efficiently, on a larger scale, and with greater
7 accountability.

8 “(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

9 “(1) to examine and recommend ways in which
10 the Federal Government can interact more effi-
11 ciently and effectively with nonprofit organizations,
12 philanthropic organizations, and business to achieve
13 better outcomes with regard to addressing national
14 and local challenges, accountability, and utilization
15 of resources;

16 “(2) to provide advice to the President and
17 Congress regarding new, more effective ways for the
18 Federal Government to address national and local
19 challenges in partnership with the nonprofit sector;
20 and

21 “(3) to support research that will advance the
22 impact and effectiveness of the nonprofit sector and
23 the way that the Federal Government interacts with
24 such sector.

25 “(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.—

1 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a
 2 commission to be known as the Commission on
 3 Cross-Sector Solutions to America’s Problems (in
 4 this section referred to as the ‘Commission’).

5 “(2) MEMBERSHIP.—

6 “(A) COMPOSITION.—The Commission
 7 shall be composed of 21 members, of whom—

8 “(i) 9 shall be appointed by the Presi-
 9 dent;

10 “(ii) 3 shall be appointed by the ma-
 11 jority leader of the Senate;

12 “(iii) 3 shall be appointed by the mi-
 13 nority leader of the Senate;

14 “(iv) 3 shall be appointed by the
 15 Speaker of the House of Representatives;
 16 and

17 “(v) 3 shall be appointed by the mi-
 18 nority leader of the House of Representa-
 19 tives.

20 “(B) QUALIFICATIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL
 21 APPOINTEES.—

22 “(i) EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE.—
 23 Subject to subparagraph (D)(ii), the Com-
 24 mission shall include members appointed
 25 under subparagraph (A)(i) who, to the ex-

1 tent practicable, collectively have extensive
2 experience or are experts in—

3 “(I) social entrepreneurship and
4 social enterprise;

5 “(II) the management and oper-
6 ation of small nonprofit organizations
7 and large nonprofit organizations;

8 “(III) business, including a busi-
9 ness with experience working with a
10 startup enterprise and a business with
11 experience working with the nonprofit
12 sector;

13 “(IV) philanthropy, including the
14 specific philanthropic challenges in
15 urban and rural areas and in areas
16 that are philanthropically under-
17 served;

18 “(V) volunteering, including ef-
19 fective volunteer management;

20 “(VI) government, including the
21 management of government agencies
22 and the role of government programs
23 in providing services; and

24 “(VII) qualitative and quan-
25 titative social science research.

1 “(ii) OTHER QUALIFICATIONS.—The
 2 Commission shall include, among the mem-
 3 bers appointed under subparagraph (A)(i),
 4 a wide range of individuals, including
 5 young people, and individuals from diverse
 6 economic, racial, ethnic, and religious
 7 backgrounds, and individuals from diverse
 8 geographic areas.

9 “(C) QUALIFICATIONS OF CONGRESSIONAL
 10 APPOINTEES.—

11 “(i) EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE.—
 12 Subject to subparagraph (D)(ii), the Com-
 13 mission shall include members appointed
 14 under clauses (ii) through (v) of subpara-
 15 graph (A) who, to the extent practicable,
 16 collectively have extensive experience or are
 17 experts in the matters described in sub-
 18 paragraph (B)(i).

19 “(ii) OTHER QUALIFICATIONS.—The
 20 Commission shall include, among the mem-
 21 bers appointed under clauses (ii) through
 22 (v) of subparagraph (A), a wide range of
 23 individuals with the qualifications de-
 24 scribed in subparagraph (B)(ii).

25 “(D) LIMITATIONS.—

1 “(i) CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIR-
 2 PERSON.—The President shall select a
 3 Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson, who
 4 may not be members of the same political
 5 party, from among the members of the
 6 Commission appointed under subparagraph
 7 (A).

8 “(ii) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP.—Mem-
 9 bers appointed under subparagraph (A)
 10 shall include not more than 11 members
 11 who are members of the same political
 12 party.

13 “(E) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.—Heads of
 14 Federal agencies, appointed to the Commission
 15 by the President, whose work concerns the non-
 16 profit sector shall serve as ex officio nonvoting
 17 members of the Commission.

18 “(F) DATE.—The appointments of the
 19 members of the Commission shall be made not
 20 later than 60 days after the date of enactment
 21 of the Serve America Act.

22 “(3) PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Members appointed
 24 under paragraph (2)(A) shall be appointed for
 25 terms of 2 years.

1 “(B) EXCEPTION.—The appointing offi-
2 cer—

3 “(i) under paragraph (2)(A)(i) shall
4 designate 4 of the initial members ap-
5 pointed under that paragraph to serve
6 terms of 3 years;

7 “(ii) under paragraph (2)(A)(ii) shall
8 designate 2 of the initial members ap-
9 pointed under that paragraph to serve
10 terms of 3 years;

11 “(iii) under paragraph (2)(A)(iii) shall
12 designate 1 of the initial members ap-
13 pointed under that paragraph to serve
14 terms of 3 years;

15 “(iv) under paragraph (2)(A)(iv) shall
16 designate 1 of the initial members ap-
17 pointed under that paragraph to serve
18 terms of 3 years; and

19 “(v) under paragraph (2)(A)(v) shall
20 designate 2 of the initial members ap-
21 pointed under that paragraph to serve
22 terms of 3 years.

23 “(4) VACANCIES.—Any vacancy in the Commis-
24 sion shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in
25 the same manner as the original appointment.

1 “(5) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 30
2 days after the date on which all voting members of
3 the Commission have been appointed, the Commis-
4 sion shall hold its first meeting.

5 “(6) MEETINGS.—The Commission shall meet
6 at the call of the Chairperson, not less than 3 times
7 a year.

8 “(7) QUORUM.—A majority of the voting mem-
9 bers of the Commission shall constitute a quorum,
10 but a lesser number of voting members may hold
11 hearings.

12 “(d) DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.—

13 “(1) STUDY.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall
15 conduct a thorough study of all matters relating
16 to ways in which the Federal Government can
17 work more efficiently and effectively with non-
18 profit organizations and philanthropic organiza-
19 tions to assist the organizations described in
20 this subparagraph, and the Federal Govern-
21 ment, in achieving better outcomes with regard
22 to addressing pressing national and local chal-
23 lenges, and improving accountability and utili-
24 zation of resources, and relating to assisting the
25 Federal Government, such organizations, and

1 business in improving their collaboration to
2 achieve such outcomes.

3 “(B) MATTERS STUDIED.—The matters
4 studied by the Commission shall include—

5 “(i) ways in which the Federal Gov-
6 ernment interacts with nonprofit organiza-
7 tions, philanthropic organizations, and
8 business to address national and local chal-
9 lenges;

10 “(ii) ways in which businesses collabo-
11 rate with nonprofit organizations and phil-
12 anthropic organizations, and any barriers
13 to maximizing the effectiveness of those
14 collaborations in addressing national and
15 local challenges;

16 “(iii) public and nonprofit sector
17 human capital challenges, including spe-
18 cific upcoming human capital needs facing
19 the nonprofit sector and such needs facing
20 the government sector, the causes of needs
21 described in this clause, and ways in which
22 nonprofit organizations and governments
23 can address the challenges jointly;

1 “(iv) ways in which government poli-
2 cies could be improved to foster nonprofit
3 organization accountability;

4 “(v) systems for streamlining the
5 process for nonprofit organizations to ob-
6 tain Federal grants and contracts, and
7 eliminating unnecessary requirements re-
8 lating to that process;

9 “(vi) barriers for smaller nonprofit or-
10 ganizations to participate in Federal Gov-
11 ernment programs;

12 “(vii) the degree to which, and ways
13 in which, social entrepreneurs are identi-
14 fying innovative ways of addressing na-
15 tional and local challenges;

16 “(viii) ways in which the Federal Gov-
17 ernment can help build the capacity of ef-
18 fective social entrepreneurs and effective
19 nonprofit organizations, including the ca-
20 pacity of the entrepreneurs and organiza-
21 tions to replicate programs that provide ef-
22 fective ways of addressing national and
23 local challenges;

24 “(ix) ways in which the Federal Gov-
25 ernment supports social service sector re-

1 search and development, whether there is a
 2 need to increase such support, and, if so,
 3 how such support may be increased;

4 “(x) ways in which the Federal Gov-
 5 ernment can partner with nonprofit organi-
 6 zations after an emergency or disaster to
 7 address the needs of the community in-
 8 volved; and

9 “(xi) ways in which the Federal Gov-
 10 ernment can improve the quantity, quality,
 11 and timeliness of data about the nonprofit
 12 sector.

13 “(2) GRANTS.—The Commission shall provide
 14 advice to the President and Congress regarding the
 15 establishment of grants to build the capacity of the
 16 nonprofit sector, to support research on the sector,
 17 and to model innovative effective ways for the Fed-
 18 eral Government to address national and local chal-
 19 lenges by supporting social entrepreneurship and en-
 20 abling nonprofit organizations to replicate and ex-
 21 pand effective solutions to national and local chal-
 22 lenges.

23 “(3) ADVICE TO THE PRESIDENT AND CON-
 24 GRESS.—The Commission shall advise the President

1 and Congress on matters concerning the nonprofit
2 sector and social entrepreneurship.

3 “(4) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after
4 the first meeting of the Commission, the Commis-
5 sion shall submit a report to Congress, which shall
6 contain a detailed statement of the findings of the
7 Commission resulting from the study described in
8 paragraph (1), and the advice provided under para-
9 graphs (2) and (3). The report shall contain rec-
10 ommendations resulting from the study.

11 “(5) ADVICE ON IMPLEMENTATION.—At the re-
12 quest of Congress or the head of any Federal de-
13 partment or agency, the Commission shall provide
14 advice on the implementation of any of the rec-
15 ommendations contained in the report.

16 “(e) POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.—

17 “(1) HEARINGS.—The Commission may hold
18 such hearings, sit and act at such times and places,
19 take such testimony, and receive such evidence as
20 the Commission considers advisable to carry out this
21 section.

22 “(2) INFORMATION FROM FEDERAL AGEN-
23 CIES.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may
25 secure directly from any Federal agency such

1 information as the Commission considers nec-
 2 essary to carry out this section.

3 “(B) AGENCY COOPERATION.—Upon re-
 4 quest of the Chairperson of the Commission,
 5 the head of any Federal agency shall furnish in-
 6 formation requested under this paragraph to
 7 the Commission.

8 “(3) POSTAL SERVICES.—The Commission may
 9 use the United States mails in the same manner and
 10 under the same conditions as other agencies of the
 11 Federal Government.

12 “(4) GIFTS.—The Commission may accept, use,
 13 and dispose of gifts or donations of services or prop-
 14 erty.

15 “(f) COMMISSION PERSONNEL MATTERS.—

16 “(1) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—The members of the
 17 Commission shall serve without compensation for
 18 their work on the Commission. Notwithstanding sec-
 19 tion 1342 of title 31, United States Code, the Chief
 20 Executive Officer of the Corporation may accept the
 21 voluntary and uncompensated services of members of
 22 the Commission. The members of the Commission
 23 shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem
 24 in lieu of subsistence, at rates authorized for em-
 25 ployees of agencies under subchapter I of chapter 57

1 of title 5, United States Code, while away from their
 2 homes or regular places of business in the perform-
 3 ance of services for the Commission.

4 “(2) STAFF.—Any Corporation for National
 5 and Community Service employee may be detailed to
 6 the Commission without reimbursement, and such
 7 detail shall be without interruption or loss of civil
 8 service status or privilege.

9 “(g) TERMINATION OF THE COMMISSION.—The
 10 Commission shall terminate in 6 years.

11 “(h) AVAILABILITY.—Any sums appropriated to
 12 carry out this section shall remain available, without fiscal
 13 year limitation, until expended.

14 **“PART II—COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS FUNDS PILOT**
 15 **PROGRAM**

16 **“SEC. 167A. FUNDS.**

17 “(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

18 “(1) Social entrepreneurs and other nonprofit
 19 community organizations are developing innovative
 20 and effective solutions to national and local chal-
 21 lenges.

22 “(2) Increased public and private investment in
 23 replicating and expanding proven effective solutions
 24 developed by social entrepreneurs and other non-
 25 profit community organizations, could allow those

1 entrepreneurs and organizations to replicate and ex-
2 pand proven initiatives in communities.

3 “(3) A network of Community Solutions Funds
4 could leverage Federal investments to increase State,
5 local, business, and philanthropic resources to rep-
6 licate and expand proven solutions to tackle specific
7 identified community challenges.

8 “(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

9 “(1) to recognize and increase the impact of so-
10 cial entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community
11 organizations in tackling national and local chal-
12 lenges;

13 “(2) to stimulate the development of a network
14 of Community Solutions Funds that will increase
15 private and public investment in nonprofit commu-
16 nity organizations that are effectively addressing na-
17 tional and local challenges to allow such organiza-
18 tions to replicate and expand successful initiatives;

19 “(3) to assess the effectiveness of such Funds
20 in—

21 “(A) leveraging Federal investments to in-
22 crease State, local, business, and philanthropic
23 resources to address national and local chal-
24 lenges; and

1 “(B) providing resources to replicate and
2 expand effective initiatives; and

3 “(4) to strengthen the infrastructure to invest
4 in, and replicate and expand, initiatives with effective
5 solutions to national and local challenges.

6 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 “(1) COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION.—The term
8 ‘community organization’ means a nonprofit organization
9 that carries out innovative, effective initiatives
10 to address community challenges.

11 “(2) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ‘covered entity’ means—

12 “(A) an existing grantmaking institution
13 (existing as of the date on which the institution
14 applies for a grant under this section); or

15 “(B) a partnership between—

16 “(i) such an existing grantmaking institution; and
17 “(ii) an additional grantmaking institution,
18 a State Commission, or a chief executive officer of a unit of general local
19 government.

20 “(3) ISSUE AREA.—The term ‘issue area’
21 means an area described in subsection (f)(3).
22 “(4) ISSUING AGENCY.—The term ‘issuing agency’ means the
23 agency that is the primary agency responsible for the
24 issuance of the grant under this section.

1 “(d) PROGRAM.—The Corporation shall establish a
 2 Community Solutions Fund grant program to make
 3 grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities to assist
 4 the entities in paying for the cost of providing national
 5 leveraging capital for Community Solution Funds.

6 “(e) PERIODS; AMOUNTS.—The Corporation shall
 7 make such grants for periods of 5 years, and may renew
 8 the grants for additional periods of 5 years, in amounts
 9 of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than
 10 \$10,000,000 per year.

11 “(f) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
 12 under this section, an entity shall—

13 “(1) be a covered entity;

14 “(2) be focused on—

15 “(A) serving a specific local geographical
 16 area; or

17 “(B) addressing a specific issue area, in
 18 geographical areas that have the highest need
 19 in that issue area, as demonstrated by statistics
 20 concerning that need;

21 “(3) be focused on improving measurable out-
 22 comes relating to—

23 “(A) education for economically disadvan-
 24 taged students in public schools;

25 “(B) child and youth development;

1 “(C) reductions in poverty or increases in
2 economic opportunity for economically dis-
3 advantaged individuals;

4 “(D) health, including access to health
5 care and health education;

6 “(E) resource conservation and local envi-
7 ronmental quality;

8 “(F) individual or community energy effi-
9 ciency;

10 “(G) civic engagement; or

11 “(H) reductions in crime;

12 “(4) make data-driven decisions about subgrant
13 awards and internal policies;

14 “(5) have well-articulated processes for assess-
15 ing community organizations for subgrants; and

16 “(6) have appropriate policies, as determined by
17 the Corporation, that protect against conflict of in-
18 terest, self-dealing, and other improper practices.

19 “(g) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
20 under subsection (d) for national leveraging capital, an eli-
21 gible entity shall submit an application to the Corporation
22 at such time, in such manner, and containing such infor-
23 mation as the Corporation may specify, including, at a
24 minimum—

25 “(1) an assurance that the eligible entity will—

1 “(A) use the funds received through that
2 capital in order to make subgrants to commu-
3 nity organizations that will use the funds to
4 replicate or expand proven initiatives in low-in-
5 come communities;

6 “(B) in making decisions about subgrants
7 for communities, consult with a diverse cross
8 section of community representatives in the de-
9 cisions, including individuals from the public,
10 nonprofit private, and for-profit private sectors;
11 and

12 “(C) make subgrants of a sufficient size
13 and scope to enable the community organiza-
14 tions to build their capacity to manage initia-
15 tives, and sustain replication or expansion of
16 the initiatives;

17 “(2) an assurance that the eligible entity will
18 not make any subgrants to the parent organizations
19 of the eligible entity, a subsidiary organization of the
20 parent organization, or, if the eligible entity applied
21 for funds under this section as a partnership, any
22 member of the partnership;

23 “(3) an identification of, as appropriate—

1 “(A) the specific local geographical area
2 referred to in subsection (f)(2)(A) that the eli-
3 gible entity is proposing to serve; or

4 “(B) geographical areas referred to in sub-
5 section (f)(2)(B) that the eligible entity is likely
6 to serve;

7 “(4)(A) information identifying the issue areas
8 in which the eligible entity will work to improve
9 measurable outcomes;

10 “(B) statistics on the needs related to those
11 issue areas in, as appropriate—

12 “(i) the specific local geographical area de-
13 scribed in paragraph (3)(A); or

14 “(ii) the geographical areas described in
15 paragraph (3)(B), including statistics dem-
16 onstrating that those geographical areas have
17 the highest need in the specific issue area that
18 the eligible entity is proposing to address; and

19 “(C) information on the specific measurable
20 outcomes related to the issue areas involved that the
21 eligible entity will seek to improve;

22 “(5) information describing the process by
23 which the eligible entity selected, or will select, com-
24 munity organizations to receive the subgrants, to en-
25 sure that the community organizations—

1 “(A) are institutions with proven initia-
2 tives, with track records of achieving specific
3 outcomes related to the measurable outcomes
4 for the eligible entity;

5 “(B) articulate measurable outcomes for
6 the use of the subgrant funds that are con-
7 nected to the measurable outcomes for the eligi-
8 ble entity;

9 “(C) will use the funds to replicate or ex-
10 pand their initiatives;

11 “(D) provide a well-defined plan for repli-
12 cating or expanding the initiatives funded;

13 “(E) can sustain the initiatives after the
14 subgrant period concludes through reliable pub-
15 lic revenues, earned income, or private sector
16 funding;

17 “(F) have strong leadership and financial
18 and management systems;

19 “(G) are committed to the use of data col-
20 lection and evaluation for improvement of the
21 initiatives;

22 “(H) will implement and evaluate innova-
23 tive initiatives, to be important contributors to
24 knowledge in their fields; and

1 “(I) will meet the requirements for pro-
2 viding matching funds specified in subsection
3 (k);

4 “(6) information about the eligible entity, in-
5 cluding its experience managing collaborative initia-
6 tives, or assessing applicants for grants and evalu-
7 ating the performance of grant recipients for out-
8 come-focused initiatives, and any other relevant in-
9 formation;

10 “(7) a commitment to meet the requirements of
11 subsection (i) and a plan for meeting the require-
12 ments, including information on any funding that
13 the eligible entity has secured to provide the match-
14 ing funds required under that subsection;

15 “(8) a description of the eligible entity’s plan
16 for providing technical assistance and support, other
17 than financial support, to the community organiza-
18 tions that will increase the ability of the community
19 organizations to achieve their measurable outcomes;

20 “(9) information on the commitment, institu-
21 tional capacity, and expertise of the eligible entity
22 concerning—

23 “(A) collecting and analyzing data required
24 for evaluations, compliance efforts, and other
25 purposes;

1 “(B) supporting relevant research; and

2 “(C) submitting regular reports to the Cor-
 3 poration, including information on the initia-
 4 tives of the community organizations, and the
 5 replication or expansion of such initiatives; and

6 “(10) a commitment to use data and evalua-
 7 tions to continuously improve the initiatives funded
 8 by the eligible entity.

9 “(h) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting eligible en-
 10 tities to receive grants under this section, the Corporation
 11 shall—

12 “(1) select eligible entities on a competitive
 13 basis;

14 “(2) select eligible entities on the basis of the
 15 quality of their selection process, as described in
 16 subsection (g)(5), the capacity of the eligible entities
 17 to manage Community Solutions Funds, and the po-
 18 tential of the eligible entities to sustain the Funds
 19 after the conclusion of the grant period;

20 “(3) include among the grant recipients eligible
 21 entities that propose to provide subgrants to serve
 22 communities (such as rural low-income communities)
 23 that the eligible entities can demonstrate are signifi-
 24 cantly philanthropically underserved; and

1 “(4) select a geographically diverse set of eligi-
2 ble entities.

3 “(i) MATCHING FUNDS FOR GRANTS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation may not
5 make a grant to an eligible entity under this section
6 for a Community Solutions Fund unless the entity
7 agrees that, with respect to the cost described in
8 subsection (d) for that Fund, the entity will make
9 available matching funds in an amount not less than
10 \$1 for every \$1 of funds provided under the grant.

11 “(2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—

12 “(A) TYPE AND SOURCES.—The eligible
13 entity shall provide the matching funds in cash.
14 The eligible entity shall provide the matching
15 funds from State, local, or private sources,
16 which may include State or local agencies, busi-
17 nesses, private philanthropic organizations, or
18 individuals.

19 “(B) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES INCLUDING
20 STATE COMMISSIONS OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
21 OFFICES.—

22 “(i) IN GENERAL.—In a case in which
23 a State Commission, a local government
24 office, or both entities are a part of the eli-
25 gible entity, the State involved, the local

government involved, or both entities, respectively, shall contribute not less than 30 percent and not more than 50 percent of the matching funds.

“(ii) LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE.—

In this subparagraph, the term ‘local government office’ means the office of the chief executive officer of a unit of general local government.

“(3) REDUCTION.—The Corporation may re-

duce by 50 percent the matching funds required by paragraph (1) for an eligible entity serving a community (such as a rural low-income community) that the eligible entity can demonstrate is significantly philanthropically underserved.

“(j) SUBGRANTS.—

“(1) SUBGRANTS AUTHORIZED.—An eligible en-

tity receiving a grant under this section is authorized to use the funds made available through the grant to award subgrants on a competitive basis to—

“(A) community organizations serving low-income communities within the specific local geographical area referred to in subsection (f)(2)(A); or

1 “(B) community organizations addressing
 2 a specific issue area referred to in subsection
 3 (f)(2)(B), in low-income communities in geo-
 4 graphical areas referred to in that subsection.

5 “(2) PERIODS; AMOUNTS.—The eligible entity
 6 shall make such subgrants for periods of not less
 7 than 3 and not more than 5 years, and may renew
 8 the grants for such periods, in amounts of not less
 9 than \$100,000.

10 “(3) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a
 11 subgrant from an eligible entity under this section,
 12 including receiving a payment for that subgrant each
 13 year, a community organization shall submit an ap-
 14 plication to an eligible entity that serves the specific
 15 local geographical area, or geographical areas, that
 16 the community organization proposes to serve, at
 17 such time, in such manner, and containing such in-
 18 formation as the eligible entity may require, includ-
 19 ing—

20 “(A) a description of the initiative the
 21 community organization carries out and plans
 22 to replicate or expand using funds received
 23 from the eligible entity, and how the initiative
 24 relates to the issue areas identified under sub-

1 section (g)(4)(A) in which the eligible entity has
2 committed to work;

3 “(B) data on the measurable outcomes the
4 community organization has improved, and in-
5 formation on the measurable outcomes the com-
6 munity organization seeks to improve by repli-
7 cating or expanding an initiative, which shall be
8 among the measurable outcomes the eligible en-
9 tity is seeking to improve as identified under
10 subsection (g)(4)(C);

11 “(C) an identification of the community in
12 which the community organization proposes to
13 carry out an initiative, which shall be within the
14 specific local geographical area referred to in
15 subsection (f)(2)(A) or the geographical areas
16 referred to in subsection (f)(2)(B), that the eli-
17 gible entity serves;

18 “(D) a description of how the community
19 organization uses data to analyze and improve
20 its initiatives;

21 “(E) specific evidence of how the commu-
22 nity organization will meet the requirements for
23 providing matching funds specified in sub-
24 section (k);

1 “(F) a description of how the community
 2 organization will sustain the replicated or ex-
 3 panded initiative after the conclusion of the
 4 subgrant period; and

5 “(G) any other information the eligible en-
 6 tity may require, including information nec-
 7 essary for the eligible entity to fulfill its obliga-
 8 tions under subsection (g)(5).

9 “(k) MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUBGRANTS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may not
 11 make a subgrant to a community organization under
 12 this section for an initiative described in subsection
 13 (j)(3)(A) unless the organization agrees that, with
 14 respect to the cost of carrying out that initiative, the
 15 organization will make available, on an annual basis,
 16 matching funds in an amount not less than \$1 for
 17 every \$1 of funds provided under the subgrant. If
 18 the community organization fails to make such
 19 matching funds available for a fiscal year, the eligi-
 20 ble entity shall not make payments for the remain-
 21 ing fiscal years of the subgrant period, notwith-
 22 standing any other provision of this part.

23 “(2) TYPES AND SOURCES.—The community
 24 organization shall provide the matching funds in
 25 cash. The community organization shall provide the

1 matching funds from State, local, or private sources,
 2 which may include funds from State or local agen-
 3 cies, or private sector funding.

4 “(1) NATIONAL FUNCTIONS.—

5 “(1) CORPORATION.—The Corporation shall
 6 enter into a contract with an independent entity (re-
 7 ferred to in this subsection as a ‘national con-
 8 tractor’) to evaluate the eligible entities, and the ini-
 9 tiatives supported by the eligible entities.

10 “(2) NATIONAL CONTRACTOR.—

11 “(A) RESEARCH AND REPORTS.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The national con-
 13 tractor shall collect data and conduct or
 14 support research with respect to the eligi-
 15 ble entities, and the initiatives supported
 16 by the eligible entities, to determine the
 17 success of the program carried out under
 18 this section in replicating and expanding
 19 initiatives, including—

20 “(I) the success of the replicated
 21 or expanded initiatives in improving
 22 measurable outcomes; and

23 “(II) the success of the program
 24 in increasing philanthropic invest-

1 ments in philanthropically under-
2 served communities.

3 “(ii) REPORTS.—The national con-
4 tractor shall submit reports to Congress
5 and the Corporation including—

6 “(I) the data collected and the
7 results of the research;

8 “(II) information on lessons
9 learned about best practices from the
10 activities carried out under this sec-
11 tion, to improve those activities; and

12 “(III) a list of all eligible entities
13 and community organizations receiv-
14 ing funds under this section.

15 “(B) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The na-
16 tional contractor shall provide technical assist-
17 ance to the eligible entities that receive grants
18 under this section.

19 “(C) KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT.—The
20 national contractor shall maintain a clearing-
21 house for information on best practices result-
22 ing from initiatives supported by the eligible en-
23 tities.

24 “(D) RESERVATION.—Of the funds appro-
25 priated under section 501(a)(5)(B) for a fiscal

1 year, not more than 5 percent may be used to
2 carry out this subsection.

3 **“PART III—INNOVATION FELLOWSHIPS PILOT**
4 **PROGRAM**

5 **“SEC. 167B. PROGRAM.**

6 “(a) GRANTS.—The Corporation shall make grants,
7 on a competitive basis, to individuals to pay for the Fed-
8 eral share of carrying out projects in which the individuals
9 establish innovative nonprofit organizations to address na-
10 tional and local challenges.

11 “(b) AMOUNTS, PERIODS, AND NUMBER OF
12 GRANTS.—The Corporation shall make the grants for pe-
13 riods of 2 years. The Corporation shall make the grants
14 in amounts of not more than \$100,000. The Corporation
15 shall make not more than 25 grants under subsection (a)
16 in a fiscal year.

17 “(c) PAYMENTS.—The Corporation shall make the
18 grant awards through annual payments, for the 2 years
19 of the grant periods.

20 “(d) ELIGIBLE APPLICANT.—To be eligible to apply
21 for a grant under this section, an individual shall—

22 “(1) have completed at least 1 term or period
23 of service as a participant in a national service pro-
24 gram under subtitle C or G, as a participant in a
25 program under subtitle E or section 198E, or as a

1 volunteer in a program under part A of title I of the
 2 Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.
 3 4951 et seq.); or

4 “(2) be a veteran, as defined in section 101 of
 5 title 38, United States Code.

6 “(e) INITIAL APPLICATION.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive a
 8 grant under this section, and a payment for the first
 9 year of the grant period, an individual shall submit
 10 an application to the Corporation at such time, in
 11 such manner, and containing such information as
 12 the Corporation may require.

13 “(2) CONTENTS.—At a minimum, the applica-
 14 tion shall include—

15 “(A) a description of the national or local
 16 challenge that the individual seeks to address
 17 through the project involved;

18 “(B) a description of the project the indi-
 19 vidual is proposing or the organization the indi-
 20 vidual is proposing to establish through the
 21 project, including information describing why
 22 the individual’s proposal to address the chal-
 23 lenge is innovative;

1 “(C) information describing how the indi-
 2 vidual proposes to address the challenge at the
 3 community level; and

4 “(D) information describing the location of
 5 the project and the community the individual
 6 proposes to serve through the project, including
 7 relevant data about the challenge in that com-
 8 munity.

9 “(f) SUBSEQUENT APPLICATION.—To be eligible to
 10 receive a payment for the second year of the grant period,
 11 the individual shall submit to the Corporation—

12 “(1) a report on the actions taken by the indi-
 13 vidual, and, if applicable, the nonprofit organization
 14 established using funds provided under this section,
 15 to carry out the project; and

16 “(2) information describing how the individual
 17 will comply with the non-Federal share requirement
 18 described in subsection (g) for the second year of the
 19 grant period.

20 “(g) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
 22 cost of carrying out a project under this section shall
 23 be—

24 “(A) 100 percent for the first year of the
 25 grant period; and

1 “(B) 50 percent for the second year of the
2 grant period.

3 “(2) NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The individual
4 may provide the non-Federal share of the cost in
5 cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, including plant,
6 equipment, or services. The individual may provide
7 the non-Federal share from State, local, or private
8 sources.

9 “(h) CONSIDERATION.—In reviewing applications,
10 the Corporation shall take into consideration the likelihood
11 that a project proposed to serve a community, if success-
12 ful, will be replicable in other communities.

13 “(i) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—In making grants
14 under this section, the Corporation shall make the grants
15 to a geographically diverse set of individuals.

16 “(j) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Corporation
17 may reserve 15 percent of the funds appropriated to carry
18 out this section to provide technical assistance to individ-
19 uals and nonprofit organizations carrying out projects
20 under this section.”.

21 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of
23 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)) is amended by adding at the
24 end the following:

1 “(5) SUBTITLE F.—There are authorized to be
2 appropriated—

3 “(A) to carry out section 167, such sums
4 as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
5 2010 through 2014;

6 “(B) to carry out section 167A,
7 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, \$60,000,000
8 for fiscal year 2011, \$70,000,000 for fiscal year
9 2012, \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2013, and
10 \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2014, and such
11 sums as may be necessary for each subsequent
12 fiscal year; and

13 “(C) to carry out section 167B,
14 \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 2010, and
15 \$5,000,000 for each subsequent fiscal year.”.

16 **Subtitle C—ServeAmerica Corps**

17 **SEC. 131. CORPS.**

18 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

19 (1) Since 1993, more than 500,000 individuals
20 have served in national service positions, meeting
21 unmet human, educational, environmental, and pub-
22 lic safety needs of the United States.

23 (2) Full- and part-time national service can ef-
24 fectively promote an ethic of service and volun-
25 teering, and former national service participants are

1 likely to remain engaged in national service, and
 2 participate in community and public service, in the
 3 nonprofit sector or government.

4 (3) Focused national service efforts can effec-
 5 tively tackle pressing national challenges, such as
 6 improving education for low-income students, in-
 7 creasing energy conservation, and improving the
 8 health, well-being, and economic opportunities of the
 9 neediest individuals in the Nation.

10 (4) An increasing number of individuals in the
 11 United States who are retiring or age 50 or older in-
 12 dicate an interest in service, with almost 60 percent
 13 of such individuals indicating that they would con-
 14 sider taking jobs now or in the future to serve their
 15 communities.

16 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

17 (1) to provide opportunities by 2014 for
 18 250,000 individuals annually to participate in a year
 19 of service, by providing funding for an additional
 20 175,000 individuals (in addition to the 75,000 indi-
 21 viduals already participating) each year to so partici-
 22 pate, and to continue growing national service in the
 23 future;

24 (2) to focus national service in the areas of na-
 25 tional need such service has the capacity to address,

1 such as improving education for low-income stu-
 2 dents, increasing energy conservation, improving ac-
 3 cess to health care for, and the health status of, in-
 4 dividuals in medically underserved populations, and
 5 creating new economic opportunities for low-income
 6 individuals; and

7 (3) to encourage “encore service” and draw on
 8 the talents and experience of individuals age 50 and
 9 older, by providing better opportunities and incen-
 10 tives for individuals of that age to serve.

11 (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Title I of the National
 12 and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511
 13 et seq.), as amended by section 121, is further amended
 14 by inserting after subtitle F the following:

15 **“Subtitle G—ServeAmerica Corps**

16 **“SEC. 168. CORPS.**

17 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 “(1) 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING
 19 CENTER.—The term ‘21st century community learn-
 20 ing center’ has the meaning given the term ‘commu-
 21 nity learning center’, as defined in section 4201 of
 22 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
 23 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7171).

24 “(2) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—The
 25 term ‘Clean Energy Service Corps’ means the par-

1 ticipants who improve performance on clean energy
 2 indicators through the grants funded under sub-
 3 section (c)(3).

4 “(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS FUND.—
 5 The term ‘Clean Energy Service Corps Fund’ means
 6 the Clean Energy Service Corps Fund established
 7 under subsection (b)(3).

8 “(4) CLEAN ENERGY INDICATORS.—The term
 9 ‘clean energy indicators’ means—

10 “(A) number of housing units of low-in-
 11 come households weatherized or retrofitted to
 12 improve energy efficiency;

13 “(B) annual energy costs (to determine
 14 savings in those costs) at facilities where par-
 15 ticipants have provided service;

16 “(C) number of students and youth receiv-
 17 ing education or training in energy-efficient and
 18 environmentally conscious practices;

19 “(D) number of national parks, State
 20 parks, city parks, county parks, forest pre-
 21 serves, or trails or rivers owned or maintained
 22 by the Federal Government or a State, that are
 23 cleaned or improved;

24 “(E) another indicator relating to clean en-
 25 ergy that the Corporation, in consultation with

1 the Administrator of the Environmental Protec-
 2 tion Agency and the Secretary of Energy, es-
 3 tablishes for a given year;

4 “(F) another indicator relating to edu-
 5 cation or skill attainment for clean energy jobs
 6 that the Corporation, in consultation with the
 7 Secretary of Labor, establishes for a given year;
 8 and

9 “(G) a local indicator (applicable to a par-
 10 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-
 11 ment in performance is needed) relating to
 12 clean energy, or education or skill attainment
 13 for clean energy jobs, proposed by that eligible
 14 entity in an application submitted to, and ap-
 15 proved by, a State Commission or the Corpora-
 16 tion under this section.

17 “(5) COLLEGE-GOING RATE.—The term ‘col-
 18 lege-going rate’ means the percentage of high school
 19 graduates who enroll in an institution of higher edu-
 20 cation in the school year immediately following grad-
 21 uation from high school.

22 “(6) EDUCATION CORPS.—The term ‘Education
 23 Corps’ means the participants who improve perform-
 24 ance on education indicators through the grants
 25 funded under subsection (c)(1).

1 “(7) EDUCATION CORPS FUND.—The term
2 ‘Education Corps Fund’ means the Education Corps
3 Fund established under subsection (b)(1).

4 “(8) EDUCATION INDICATORS.—The term ‘edu-
5 cation indicators’ means—

6 “(A) student engagement, including stu-
7 dent attendance and student behavior;

8 “(B) student academic achievement;

9 “(C) high school graduation rates;

10 “(D) college-going rates for recipients of a
11 high school diploma;

12 “(E) college persistence rates for recipients
13 of a high school diploma or its generally recog-
14 nized equivalent who are enrolled in college;

15 “(F) an additional indicator relating to im-
16 proving education for students that the Cor-
17 poration, in consultation with the Secretary of
18 Education, establishes for a given year; and

19 “(G) a local indicator (applicable to a par-
20 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-
21 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-
22 proving education for students, proposed by
23 that eligible entity in an application submitted
24 to, and approved by, a State Commission or the
25 Corporation under this section.

1 “(9) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
2 tity’ means an entity that—

3 “(A) is a nonprofit organization with a
4 proven record of improving, or a promising
5 strategy to improve, performance on appro-
6 priate indicators described in this subsection;

7 “(B) meets the eligibility requirements to
8 receive a grant under subtitle C; and

9 “(C) if the entity is seeking to receive (or
10 has received) a grant directly under subsection
11 (c), is seeking to carry out (or is carrying out)
12 a national service program in 2 or more States.

13 “(10) ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAM.—The term
14 ‘encore service program’ means a program, carried
15 out by an eligible entity under subsection (c), that—

16 “(A) involves a significant number of par-
17 ticipants age 50 or older in the program; and

18 “(B) takes advantage of the skills and ex-
19 perience that such participants offer in the de-
20 sign and implementation of the program.

21 “(11) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—The term
22 ‘Healthy Futures Corps’ means the participants who
23 improve performance on health indicators through
24 the grants funded under subsection (c)(2).

1 “(12) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS FUND.—The
2 term ‘Healthy Futures Corps Fund’ means the
3 Healthy Futures Corps Fund established under sub-
4 section (b)(2).

5 “(13) HEALTH INDICATORS.—The term ‘health
6 indicators’ means—

7 “(A) access to health care among economi-
8 cally disadvantaged individuals and individuals
9 who are members of medically underserved popu-
10 lations;

11 “(B) access to health care for uninsured
12 individuals, including such individuals who are
13 economically disadvantaged children;

14 “(C) participation, among economically
15 disadvantaged individuals and individuals who
16 are members of medically underserved popu-
17 lations, in disease prevention and health pro-
18 motion initiatives, particularly those with a
19 focus on addressing common health conditions,
20 addressing chronic diseases, and decreasing
21 health disparities;

22 “(D) health literacy of patients;

23 “(E) an additional indicator, relating to
24 improving or protecting the health of economi-
25 cally disadvantaged individuals and individuals

1 who are members of medically underserved pop-
 2 ulations, that the Corporation, in consultation
 3 with the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
 4 ices and the Director of the Centers for Disease
 5 Control and Prevention, establishes for a given
 6 year; and

7 “(F) a local indicator (applicable to a par-
 8 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-
 9 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-
 10 proving or protecting the health of economically
 11 disadvantaged individuals and individuals who
 12 are members of medically underserved popu-
 13 lations, proposed by that eligible entity in an
 14 application submitted to, and approved by, a
 15 State Commission or the Corporation under
 16 this section.

17 “(14) HIGH SCHOOL.—The term ‘high school’
 18 means a public school, including a public high
 19 school, that provides high school education, as deter-
 20 mined by State law.

21 “(15) MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA.—The
 22 term ‘medically underserved area’ means an urban
 23 or rural area designated by the Secretary of Health
 24 and Human Services as an area with a shortage of
 25 personal health services.

1 “(16) MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPU-
 2 LATION.—The term ‘medically underserved popu-
 3 lation’ has the meaning given the term in section
 4 330(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42
 5 U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)).

6 “(17) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—The term ‘Op-
 7 portunity Corps’ means the participants who im-
 8 prove performance on opportunity indicators through
 9 the grants funded under subsection (c)(4).

10 “(18) OPPORTUNITY CORPS FUND.—The term
 11 ‘Opportunity Corps Fund’ means the Opportunity
 12 Corps Fund established under subsection (b)(4).

13 “(19) OPPORTUNITY INDICATORS.—The term
 14 ‘opportunity indicators’ means—

15 “(A) financial literacy among economically
 16 disadvantaged individuals;

17 “(B) housing units built or improved for
 18 economically disadvantaged individuals or low-
 19 income families;

20 “(C) economically disadvantaged individ-
 21 uals with access to job training and other skill
 22 enhancement;

23 “(D) economically disadvantaged individ-
 24 uals with access to information about job place-
 25 ment services;

1 “(E) an additional indicator relating to im-
 2 proving economic opportunity for economically
 3 disadvantaged individuals that the Corporation,
 4 in consultation with the Secretary of Health
 5 and Human Services and the Secretary of
 6 Labor, establishes for a given year; and

7 “(F) a local indicator (applicable to a par-
 8 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-
 9 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-
 10 proving economic opportunity for economically
 11 disadvantaged individuals, proposed by that eli-
 12 gible entity in an application submitted to, and
 13 approved by, a State Commission or the Cor-
 14 poration under this section.

15 “(20) POVERTY LINE.—The term ‘poverty line’
 16 has the meaning given the term in section 673 of the
 17 Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C.
 18 9902).

19 “(21) STUDENT.—The term ‘student’ means a
 20 public elementary school or public secondary school
 21 student.

22 “(b) FUNDS AND AVAILABILITY.—

23 “(1) EDUCATION CORPS FUND.—From the
 24 funds appropriated under section 501(a)(6), the

1 Corporation shall reserve a portion of the funds to
2 be known as the Education Corps Fund.

3 “(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS FUND.—From
4 those appropriated funds, the Corporation shall re-
5 serve a portion of the funds to be known as the
6 Healthy Futures Corps Fund.

7 “(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS FUND.—
8 From those appropriated funds, the Corporation
9 shall reserve a portion of the funds to be known as
10 the Clean Energy Service Corps Fund.

11 “(4) OPPORTUNITY CORPS FUND.—From those
12 appropriated funds, the Corporation shall reserve a
13 portion of the funds to be known as the Opportunity
14 Corps Fund.

15 “(c) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—

16 “(1) EDUCATION CORPS.—

17 “(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use
18 the amounts made available for the Education
19 Corps Fund to make grants under this para-
20 graph to State Commissions and eligible enti-
21 ties, as described in paragraph (5).

22 “(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall
23 make the grants to pay for the Federal share
24 of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-
25 tional service programs that are consistent with

1 subtitle C and that improve performance on
2 education indicators, through the service of the
3 participants in the programs.

4 “(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—

5 “(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use
6 the amounts made available for the Healthy
7 Futures Corps Fund to make grants under this
8 paragraph to State Commissions and eligible
9 entities, as described in paragraph (5).

10 “(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall
11 make the grants to pay for the Federal share
12 of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-
13 tional service programs that are consistent with
14 subtitle C and that improve performance on
15 health indicators, through the service of the
16 participants in the programs.

17 “(3) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—

18 “(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use
19 the amounts made available for the Clean En-
20 ergy Service Corps Fund to make grants under
21 this paragraph to State Commissions and eligi-
22 ble entities, as described in paragraph (5).

23 “(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall
24 make the grants to pay for the Federal share
25 of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time na-

tional service programs that are consistent with subtitle C and that improve performance on clean energy indicators, through the service of the participants in the programs.

“(4) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—

“(A) GRANTS.—The Corporation may use the amounts made available for the Opportunity Corps Fund to make grants under this paragraph to State Commissions and eligible entities, as described in paragraph (5).

“(B) PROGRAMS.—The Corporation shall make the grants to pay for the Federal share of the cost of carrying out full- or part-time national service programs that are consistent with subtitle C and that improve performance on opportunity indicators, through the service of the participants in the programs.

“(5) FORMULA AND COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—

For purposes of making grants under paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4), the Corporation shall carry out the following:

“(A) FORMULA GRANTS.—

“(i) GRANTS TO CERTAIN STATES.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—From 33 $\frac{1}{3}$

percent of the amount available in the

1 Fund described in that paragraph for
 2 a fiscal year (after the Corporation
 3 makes the reservation described in
 4 subsection (i)), the Corporation shall
 5 make grants (including financial as-
 6 sistance and a corresponding allot-
 7 ment of approved national service po-
 8 sitions). The Corporation shall make
 9 the grants to the State Commission of
 10 each of the several States, the District
 11 of Columbia, and the Commonwealth
 12 of Puerto Rico that has an application
 13 approved by the Corporation under
 14 subsection (e), from allotments de-
 15 scribed in subclause (II).

16 “(II) ALLOTMENT.—The amount
 17 allotted as a grant to each such State
 18 under subclause (I) for a fiscal year
 19 shall be equal to the amount that
 20 bears the same ratio to that $33\frac{1}{3}$ per-
 21 cent of the amount available in that
 22 Fund for that fiscal year as the popu-
 23 lation of the State bears to the total
 24 population of the several States, the

1 District of Columbia, and the Com-
2 monwealth of Puerto Rico.

3 “(ii) GRANTS TO CERTAIN TERRI-
4 TORIES AND POSSESSIONS.—

5 “(I) IN GENERAL.—From 1 per-
6 cent of the amount available in the
7 Fund described in that paragraph for
8 a fiscal year (after the Corporation
9 makes the reservation described in
10 subsection (i)), the Corporation shall
11 make grants (including financial as-
12 sistance and a corresponding allot-
13 ment of approved national service po-
14 sitions). The Corporation shall make
15 the grants to the State Commission
16 for each of the United States Virgin
17 Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and
18 the Commonwealth of the Northern
19 Mariana Islands that has an applica-
20 tion approved by the Corporation
21 under subsection (e), from allotments
22 described in subclause (II).

23 “(II) ALLOTMENT.—The amount
24 allotted as a grant to each such State
25 under subclause (I) for a fiscal year

1 shall be equal to the amount that
2 bears the same ratio to that 1 percent
3 of the amount available in that Fund
4 for that fiscal year as the population
5 of the State bears to the total popu-
6 lation of the States referred to in sub-
7 clause (I).

8 “(iii) GRANTS TO INDIAN TRIBES.—

9 “(I) IN GENERAL.—From 1 per-
10 cent of the amount available in the
11 Fund described in that paragraph for
12 a fiscal year (after the Corporation
13 makes the reservation described in
14 subsection (i)), the Corporation shall
15 make grants (including financial as-
16 sistance and a corresponding allot-
17 ment of approved national service po-
18 sitions) to Indian tribes that have ap-
19 plications approved by the Corpora-
20 tion under subsection (e). The funds
21 allotted for such grants shall be allot-
22 ted by the Corporation on a competi-
23 tive basis in accordance with the re-
24 spective needs of the Indian tribes.

1 “(II) APPLICATION.—For pur-
2 poses of this subtitle, other than this
3 subparagraph, a reference to a State
4 Commission shall be considered to in-
5 clude a reference to the governing
6 body of an Indian tribe, and a ref-
7 erence to a State shall be considered
8 to include a reference to an Indian
9 tribe or the geographic area in which
10 the tribe resides. The Corporation
11 shall have authority to issue standards
12 to apply the provisions of this subtitle
13 (other than this subparagraph) to In-
14 dian tribes.

15 “(iv) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO
16 APPLY.—If a State or Indian tribe fails to
17 apply for, or fails to give notice to the Cor-
18 poration of its intent to apply for, an allot-
19 ment under this subparagraph, the Cor-
20 poration shall use the amount that would
21 have been allotted under this subparagraph
22 to the State or Indian tribe—

23 “(I) to make grants (including fi-
24 nancial assistance and a cor-
25 responding allotment of approved na-

1 tional service positions) to other eligi-
 2 ble entities that propose to carry out
 3 national service programs in the State
 4 on behalf of the Indian tribe; and

5 “(II) after making grants under
 6 subclause (I), to make a reallocation
 7 to other States and Indian tribes that
 8 have applications approved by the
 9 Corporation under subsection (e).

10 “(B) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—From the
 11 remainder of the amount available in that Fund
 12 for that fiscal year, the Corporation shall make
 13 grants (including such assistance and cor-
 14 responding allotment), on a competitive basis,
 15 to State Commissions and eligible entities that
 16 have such approved applications.

17 “(6) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise
 19 expressly provided in this section and subtitle
 20 D, the terms and conditions of grants made
 21 under this subsection shall be consistent with
 22 the provisions of subtitle C concerning terms
 23 and conditions of grants made under section
 24 121(a). Those terms and conditions shall apply
 25 with respect to grants and allotments requested,

1 national service positions and national service
 2 programs proposed, and applications submitted,
 3 under this section.

4 “(B) INVESTMENT IN NATIONAL SERV-
 5 ICE.—For purposes of applying the provisions
 6 of part I of subtitle C under this subsection,
 7 sections 122(c), 125, and 126 shall not apply.

8 “(C) APPLICATION, APPROVAL, AND ALLO-
 9 CATION.—State Commissions and eligible enti-
 10 ties shall apply for the grants, and the grants
 11 (and the financial assistance and approved na-
 12 tional service positions made available through
 13 the grants) shall be allocated among State
 14 Commissions and eligible entities, in a manner
 15 consistent with this section. Except as otherwise
 16 provided in this section, subsections (a) through
 17 (d) of section 129, subsections (a) through (d),
 18 and (g), of section 130, subsections (a)(1) and
 19 (f) of section 131, and subsections (a), (b), (d),
 20 and (e) of section 133 shall not apply to such
 21 applications and allocations.

22 “(D) NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS.—
 23 Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
 24 section and subtitle D, the terms and conditions
 25 that apply to participants in programs carried

out under such grants (including provisions relating to participant eligibility, selection, terms of service, and benefits) shall be consistent with the provisions of subtitle C concerning terms and conditions that apply to participants in programs under subtitle C.

“(7) NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Corporation shall—

“(A) establish or increase the number of positions that are approved as approved national service positions under this subtitle during each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014;

“(B) establish the number of the approved positions as 25,000 for fiscal year 2010; and

“(C) increase the number of the approved positions to—

“(i) 50,000 for fiscal year 2011;

“(ii) 75,000 for fiscal year 2012;

“(iii) 125,000 for fiscal year 2013;

and

“(iv) 175,000 for fiscal year 2014.

“(d) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Eligible entities shall carry out the national service programs under subsection (c).

1 “(2) QUALIFICATION.—To be qualified to carry
2 out a national service program under subsection (c),
3 an eligible entity shall—

4 “(A) receive a grant under subsection (c);
5 or

6 “(B) be selected to carry out the program
7 through a competitive process, by a State Com-
8 mission that receives a grant under subsection
9 (c).

10 “(e) APPLICATION.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be qualified to receive a
12 grant under subsection (c) for a national service pro-
13 gram, a State Commission or an eligible entity shall
14 submit an application to the Corporation at such
15 time, in such manner, and containing such informa-
16 tion as the Corporation may require, which shall in-
17 clude—

18 “(A) information describing how the eligi-
19 ble entity proposed to carry out the program
20 proposes to utilize funds under a paragraph of
21 subsection (c) to improve performance on the
22 corresponding indicators described in subsection
23 (a) utilizing participants, including the activities
24 in which such participants will engage to im-
25 prove performance on those indicators;

1 “(B) information identifying the geo-
2 graphical area in which the eligible entity pro-
3 posed to carry out the program proposes to use
4 funds under a paragraph of subsection (c) to
5 improve performance on the corresponding indi-
6 cators described in subsection (a), including de-
7 mographic information on the students or indi-
8 viduals, as appropriate, in such area, and sta-
9 tistics demonstrating the need to improve such
10 indicators in such area;

11 “(C) with respect to a grant to carry out
12 a national service program under a paragraph
13 of subsection (c), information describing the ex-
14 perience of the eligible entity proposed to carry
15 out the program in improving performance on
16 the corresponding indicators described in sub-
17 section (a), including whether the entity has
18 previously utilized participants to improve per-
19 formance on such indicators, and if so, the ac-
20 tivities in which such participants have en-
21 gaged;

22 “(D) if applicable, information on how the
23 eligible entity described in subparagraph (A)
24 will work with other community-based agencies
25 to carry out activities to improve performance

1 on the corresponding indicators described in
2 subsection (a) using such funds;

3 “(E) a description of—

4 “(i) the type of positions into which
5 participants will be placed, using the as-
6 sistance provided under subsection (c), in-
7 cluding descriptions of the specific tasks to
8 be performed by such participants, and the
9 minimum qualifications that individuals
10 will be required to meet to become partici-
11 pants in such program; and

12 “(ii) the number of proposed full- and
13 part-time national service positions for
14 which participants will receive the national
15 service educational award described in sub-
16 title D;

17 “(F) a description consistent with the de-
18 scription required by section 130(b)(12) for the
19 national service positions proposed;

20 “(G) information and assurances con-
21 sistent with those described in subsections (e)
22 and (f) of section 130, subsections (a)(2), (b),
23 (c), (d)(1), and (e) of section 131, and section
24 132(a), for the grant requested and the na-
25 tional service program and national service po-

sitions proposed, except as provided in subsection (g)(1)(B);

“(H) measurable goals, to be used for annual measurements of the program on 1 or more of the corresponding indicators described in subsection (a);

“(I) if the program is designed to improve economic opportunity by engaging economically disadvantaged individuals as participants—

“(i) the estimated percentages of participants who will be economically disadvantaged individuals; and

“(ii) if applicable, information on the education, skills, training, support services, transitional services, and leadership development activities those individuals will receive that will assist those individuals in obtaining jobs or a college degree after completion of their service under the grant;

“(J) in the case of a grant under subsection (c)(1), information on how the eligible entity described in subparagraph (A) will enter into partnerships with local educational agencies and schools to carry out activities to im-

1 prove performance on education indicators
2 using funds received under subsection (c);

3 “(K) in the case of a grant under sub-
4 section (c)(4), information on the number and
5 percentage of individuals, including children, in
6 families with family incomes below the poverty
7 line in the community to be served;

8 “(L) a description of how members of the
9 community to be served were involved in the de-
10 velopment of the application; and

11 “(M) any other information the Corpora-
12 tion may require.

13 “(2) REQUEST FOR WAIVER.—

14 “(A) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO EDU-
15 CATIONAL AWARDS.—An applicant may include
16 in the application a request for a waiver (in-
17 cluding a justification of the need for such
18 waiver and information describing how such
19 waiver will assist the applicant in improving
20 performance on the appropriate indicators de-
21 scribed in subsection (a)) of requirements relat-
22 ing to the Corporation’s provision of a national
23 service educational award to or on behalf of a
24 participant in the program, which may in-
25 clude—

1 “(i) in the case of a grant under sub-
 2 section (c)(1), requirements relating to the
 3 minimum age for a participant under sec-
 4 tion 137(a)(4); and

5 “(ii) in the case of a grant under any
 6 paragraph of subsection (c), requirements
 7 relating to individuals who receive a na-
 8 tional service educational award under sec-
 9 tion 146(a) and related provisions, to allow
 10 the eligible entity proposed to carry out the
 11 program to select participants to serve in
 12 approved national service positions (with
 13 eligibility for national service educational
 14 awards) from among a prespecified group
 15 of participants, if the request describes the
 16 process by which the participants serving
 17 in such positions will be selected from such
 18 group.

19 “(B) REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO USE
 20 OF ALLOTMENTS FOR PROGRAMS.—

21 “(i) IN GENERAL.—A State Commis-
 22 sion may include in the application a re-
 23 quest that the Corporation—

24 “(I) waive provisions requiring
 25 the State to use an allotment from a

1 Fund, described in subsection
2 (c)(5)(A), for corresponding programs
3 described in a paragraph of subsection
4 (c); and

5 “(II) permit the State to use
6 funds from the allotment for other
7 programs described in another para-
8 graph of subsection (c).

9 “(ii) INFORMATION.—The State Com-
10 mission shall include in the request—

11 “(I) information demonstrating
12 that the State has not received a suf-
13 ficient number of applications of ade-
14 quate quality to carry out the cor-
15 responding programs referred to in
16 clause (i)(I); and

17 “(II) information identifying the
18 other programs referred to in clause
19 (i)(II), and the amount of funds from
20 the allotment that the State intends
21 to use for each such program.

22 “(iii) TREATMENT.—If the Corpora-
23 tion approves the waiver, and permits the
24 State to use funds from the allotment for
25 programs described in a paragraph of sub-

1 section (c), for purposes of this subtitle
 2 (other than subsection (c)(5)(A)), the
 3 funds shall be considered to be part of a
 4 grant made under that paragraph.

5 “(3) LIMITATION ON SAME PROJECT IN MUL-
 6 TIPLE APPLICATIONS.—The Corporation shall reject
 7 an application submitted under this subsection if a
 8 project proposed to be conducted using assistance
 9 requested by the applicant is already described in
 10 another application pending before the Corporation.

11 “(f) CONSULTATION.—

12 “(1) OFFICIALS.—

13 “(A) EDUCATION CORPS.—The Corpora-
 14 tion shall consult with the Secretary of Edu-
 15 cation as appropriate in making grants under
 16 subsection (c)(1) and developing additional indi-
 17 cators described in subsection (a)(8)(F).

18 “(B) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—The
 19 Corporation shall consult with the Secretary of
 20 Health and Human Services and the Director
 21 of the Centers for Disease Control and Preven-
 22 tion as appropriate in making grants under
 23 subsection (c)(2) and developing additional indi-
 24 cators described in subsection (a)(13)(E).

1 “(C) CLEAN ENERGY SERVICE CORPS.—

2 The Corporation shall consult with—

3 “(i) the Secretary of Energy and the
4 Administrator of the Environmental Pro-
5 tection Agency as appropriate in making
6 grants under subsection (c)(3) and devel-
7 oping additional indicators described in
8 subsection (a)(4)(E); and

9 “(ii) the Secretary of Labor in making
10 grants under section (c)(3) and developing
11 additional indicators described in sub-
12 section (a)(4)(F).

13 “(D) OPPORTUNITY CORPS.—The Corpora-
14 tion shall consult with the Secretary of Health
15 and Human Services and the Secretary of
16 Labor as appropriate in making grants under
17 subsection (c)(4) and developing additional indi-
18 cators described in subsection (a)(19)(E).

19 “(2) REVIEW PANELS.—The Corporation
20 shall—

21 “(A) establish panels of experts for the
22 purpose of securing recommendations on appli-
23 cations submitted under subsection (e) for more
24 than \$250,000 in assistance, or for a number of
25 national service positions that would require

1 more than \$250,000 in national service edu-
 2 cational awards; and

3 “(B) consider the opinions of such panels
 4 prior to making determinations on such applica-
 5 tions.

6 “(g) ALLOCATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND
 7 POSITIONS.—

8 “(1) ALLOCATION.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In making grants
 10 under subsection (c), the Corporation shall allo-
 11 cate the financial assistance and approved na-
 12 tional service positions provided through the
 13 grants among eligible entities proposed to carry
 14 out national service programs described in sub-
 15 section (c).

16 “(B) APPROVED NATIONAL SERVICE POSI-
 17 TIONS ONLY.—In making those grants, the Cor-
 18 poration—

19 “(i) may make some grants that pro-
 20 vide only approved national service posi-
 21 tions (as opposed to financial assistance
 22 and such positions) for some or all of the
 23 participants in the national service pro-
 24 grams involved; but

1 “(ii) shall ensure that not more than
 2 35 percent of the participants in the na-
 3 tional service programs described in sub-
 4 section (c) will receive only approved na-
 5 tional service positions through the grants.

6 “(C) FULL-TIME POSITIONS.—In making
 7 the grants, the Corporation shall ensure that 50
 8 percent of the approved national service posi-
 9 tions provided through the grants shall be full-
 10 time national service positions.

11 “(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding financial assist-
 12 ance and approved national service positions to eligi-
 13 ble entities proposed to carry out national service
 14 programs described in subsection (c)—

15 “(A) in the case of a grant under sub-
 16 section (c)(2)—

17 “(i) the Corporation may give priority
 18 to such eligible entities that propose to de-
 19 velop policies to provide, and provide, sup-
 20 port for participants who, after completing
 21 service under this section, will undertake
 22 careers to improve performance on health
 23 indicators; and

24 “(ii) the Corporation shall give pri-
 25 ority to such eligible entities that propose

1 to carry out national service programs in
2 medically underserved areas;

3 “(B) in the case of a grant under sub-
4 section (c)(3), the Corporation shall give pri-
5 ority to such eligible entities that propose to re-
6 cruit individuals for the Clean Energy Service
7 Corps so that significant percentages of partici-
8 pants in the Corps are economically disadvan-
9 taged individuals, and provide to such individ-
10 uals support services and education and train-
11 ing to develop skills needed for clean energy
12 jobs for which there is current demand or pro-
13 jected future demand; and

14 “(C) in the case of a grant under sub-
15 section (c)(4), the Corporation shall give pri-
16 ority to such eligible entities that propose to—

17 “(i) improve economic opportunity by
18 engaging a significant percentage of eco-
19 nomically disadvantaged individuals as par-
20 ticipants to provide services and benefits to
21 other economically disadvantaged individ-
22 uals; or

23 “(ii) serve a community with a high
24 number and percentage of individuals, in-

1 cluding children, in families with family in-
2 comes below the poverty line.

3 “(3) GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY.—The Corpora-
4 tion shall ensure that eligible entities receiving fi-
5 nancial assistance or positions under subsection (c)
6 are geographically diverse and include entities pro-
7 posing national service programs to be conducted in
8 urban or rural areas.

9 “(4) ENCORE SERVICE PROGRAMS.—

10 “(A) FORMULA GRANTS.—Each State re-
11 ceiving a grant under subsection (c)(5)(A) for a
12 fiscal year shall make an effort to make avail-
13 able not less than 10 percent of the financial
14 assistance and approved national service posi-
15 tions provided through the grant for that fiscal
16 year to eligible entities proposed to carry out
17 encore service programs, unless the State Com-
18 mission involved does not receive a sufficient
19 number of applications of adequate quality to
20 justify making that percentage available to
21 those eligible entities.

22 “(B) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—In making
23 grants under subsection (c)(5)(B) for a fiscal
24 year, the Corporation shall make an effort to
25 allocate not less than 10 percent of the finan-

1 cial assistance and approved national service
 2 positions provided through the grants for that
 3 fiscal year to eligible entities proposed to carry
 4 out encore service programs, unless the Cor-
 5 poration does not receive a sufficient number of
 6 applications of adequate quality to justify mak-
 7 ing that percentage available to those eligible
 8 entities.

9 “(5) EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—A participant
 10 who serves in a national service program that re-
 11 ceives a grant under subsection (c) shall be consid-
 12 ered to have served in an approved national service
 13 position and, upon meeting the requirements of sec-
 14 tion 147 (or the requirements specified in a waiver
 15 granted under subsection (e)(2)(A)), shall be eligible
 16 for a national service educational award described in
 17 section 147. The Corporation shall transfer an ap-
 18 propriate amount of funds to the National Service
 19 Trust to provide for the national service educational
 20 awards for such participants.

21 “(h) USE OF ASSISTANCE.—

22 “(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An eligible entity
 23 that receives financial assistance or positions under
 24 a paragraph of subsection (c) shall use the financial
 25 assistance or positions to carry out full-time or part-

1 time national service programs, including summer
 2 programs, described in that paragraph of subsection
 3 (c) that are designed to improve performance on the
 4 corresponding indicators described in subsection (a)
 5 in low-income communities.

6 “(2) PARTICIPANT ACTIVITIES.—A participant
 7 in such a program shall address identified commu-
 8 nity needs by carrying out activities (which may in-
 9 clude providing direct service, recruiting and coordi-
 10 nating the activities of volunteers providing direct
 11 service, and building the capacity of local organiza-
 12 tions and communities) designed to improve per-
 13 formance on the corresponding indicators described
 14 in subsection (a), such as—

15 “(A) in the case of a program carried out
 16 under subsection (c)(1)—

17 “(i) tutoring, or providing other aca-
 18 demic support to students;

19 “(ii) mentoring students, including
 20 adult or peer mentoring;

21 “(iii) linking needed integrated serv-
 22 ices and comprehensive supports with stu-
 23 dents, their families, and their public
 24 schools;

1 “(iv) improving the school climate in-
2 volved;

3 “(v) providing assistance to a school
4 in expanding the school day by strength-
5 ening the quality of staff in an expanded
6 learning time initiative, a program of a
7 21st century community learning center, or
8 a high-quality after-school program;

9 “(vi) assisting schools and local edu-
10 cational agencies in improving and expand-
11 ing high-quality service-learning programs
12 that keep students engaged in schools by
13 providing service-learning coordinators;
14 and

15 “(vii) involving family members of
16 students in supporting teachers and stu-
17 dents;

18 “(B) in the case of a program carried out
19 under subsection (c)(2)—

20 “(i) assisting economically disadvan-
21 taged individuals in navigating the health
22 care system;

23 “(ii) assisting individuals in obtaining
24 access to health care for themselves or
25 their children;

1 “(iii) educating economically dis-
 2 advantaged individuals and individuals who
 3 are members of medically underserved pop-
 4 ulations about, and engaging individuals
 5 described in this clause in, initiatives re-
 6 garding navigating the health care system
 7 and regarding disease prevention and
 8 health promotion, with a particular focus
 9 on common health conditions, chronic dis-
 10 eases, and conditions, for which disease
 11 prevention and health promotion measures
 12 exist and for which socioeconomic, geo-
 13 graphic, and racial and ethnic health dis-
 14 parities exist, such as initiatives con-
 15 cerning—

16 “(I) cardiovascular disease;

17 “(II) diabetes education;

18 “(III) cancer screening;

19 “(IV) HIV infection or AIDS;

20 “(V) immunizations; and

21 “(VI) infant mortality;

22 “(iv) improving health literacy of pa-
 23 tients;

1 “(v) providing translation services at
2 clinics and in emergency rooms to improve
3 health care; and

4 “(vi) assisting in health promotion
5 interventions that improve health status,
6 and helping people adopt and maintain
7 healthy lifestyles and habits to improve
8 health status;

9 “(C) in the case of a program carried out
10 under subsection (c)(3)—

11 “(i) weatherizing and retrofitting
12 housing units for low-income households to
13 improve the energy efficiency of such hous-
14 ing units;

15 “(ii) building energy efficient housing
16 units in low-income communities;

17 “(iii) conducting energy audits for
18 low-income households and recommending
19 ways for the households to improve energy
20 efficiency;

21 “(iv) working with schools and youth
22 programs to educate students and youth
23 about ways to reduce home energy use and
24 improve the environment, including con-

ducting service-learning projects to provide
such education;

“(v) assisting in the development of
local recycling programs;

“(vi) improving national and State
parks, city parks, county parks, forest pre-
serves, and trails owned or maintained by
the Federal Government or a State, includ-
ing planting trees, carrying out reforest-
ation, and making trail enhancements; and

“(vii) cleaning and improving rivers
maintained by the Federal Government or
a State; and

“(D) in the case of a program carried out
under subsection (c)(4)—

“(i) providing financial literacy edu-
cation to economically disadvantaged indi-
viduals, including financial literacy edu-
cation with regard to credit management,
financial institutions including banks and
credit unions, and utilization of savings
plans;

“(ii) assisting in the construction of
housing units including energy efficient
homes, in low-income communities;

1 “(iii) assisting individuals in obtaining
2 access to health care for themselves or
3 their children;

4 “(iv) assisting individuals in obtaining
5 information about Federal, State, local, or
6 private programs or benefits focused on as-
7 sisting economically disadvantaged individ-
8 uals, economically disadvantaged children,
9 or low-income families;

10 “(v) improving opportunities for eco-
11 nomically disadvantaged children and
12 youth to become involved in youth develop-
13 ment organizations;

14 “(vi) facilitating enrollment in and
15 completion of job training for economically
16 disadvantaged individuals; and

17 “(vii) assisting economically disadvan-
18 taged individuals in obtaining access to job
19 placement assistance.

20 “(i) RESERVATION OF FUNDS FOR REVIEW PANELS
21 AND TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Before allotting funds
23 under subsection (c)(5), the Corporation shall re-
24 serve an equal percentage (but not more than 4 per-

cent) of the amounts available in each Fund described in a paragraph of subsection (b), to—

“(A) carry out activities concerning review panels as provided in subsection (f)(2); and

“(B) provide training and technical assistance to eligible entities, including training and technical assistance to assist eligible entities carrying out national service programs with a Corps described in subsection (a) in—

“(i) coordinating efforts; and

“(ii) improving the ability of the Corps to improve performance on the corresponding indicators described in subsection (a).

“(2) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

The Corporation may, as appropriate, consult with the corresponding officials described in subsection (f)(1) in planning and carrying out the training and technical assistance.

“(j) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the end of each fiscal year for which the Corporation makes grants under a paragraph of subsection (c), the Corporation shall prepare and submit to Congress a report containing—

“(1)(A) information describing how the Corporation allocated financial assistance and approved

1 national service positions among eligible entities pro-
 2 posed to carry out national service programs de-
 3 scribed in that paragraph for that fiscal year; and

4 “(B) information describing the amount of fi-
 5 nancial assistance and the number of approved na-
 6 tional service positions the Corporation provided to
 7 each national service program described in a para-
 8 graph of subsection (c) for that fiscal year;

9 “(2) a measure of the extent to which the na-
 10 tional service programs improved performance on
 11 the corresponding indicators described in subsection
 12 (a); and

13 “(3) information describing how the Corpora-
 14 tion is coordinating—

15 “(A) the national service programs funded
 16 under that paragraph; with

17 “(B) applicable programs, as determined
 18 by the Corporation, carried out under subtitles
 19 B and C of this title, and part A of title I and
 20 parts A and B of title II of the Domestic Vol-
 21 unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et
 22 seq., 5001, 5011) that improve performance on
 23 those indicators or otherwise address identified
 24 community needs.

25 “(k) INCENTIVES FOR ENCORE SERVICE.—

1 “(1) INCENTIVES STUDY.—

2 “(A) STUDY.—The Corporation shall study
3 the use of additional incentives (other than in-
4 centives provided by this Act on the date of en-
5 actment of the Serve America Act), to attract
6 individuals who are age 50 or older to perform
7 service under subtitle C or this subtitle.

8 “(B) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years
9 after the date of enactment of the Serve Amer-
10 ica Act, the Corporation shall prepare and sub-
11 mit to Congress a report containing the results
12 of the study.

13 “(2) INCENTIVES.—Not later than 2 years after
14 the date of enactment of the Serve America Act, the
15 Corporation shall, notwithstanding any other provi-
16 sion of this title, implement through a pilot program
17 additional incentives that the Corporation has found,
18 through the study described in paragraph (1), to be
19 effective to attract individuals described in para-
20 graph (1)(A) to perform service under subtitle C or
21 this subtitle.”.

22 (d) NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

23 (1) TRUST.—Section 145 of the National and
24 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12601)
25 is amended—

1 (A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “sec-
 2 tion 501(a)(2)” and inserting “paragraph (2)
 3 or (6) of section 501(a)”; and

4 (B) in subsection (d)(4), by striking “sub-
 5 title C” and inserting “subtitle C or G”.

6 (2) INCREASED NUMBER OF TERMS OF SERVICE
 7 TO ENCOURAGE ENCORE SERVICE OPPORTUNI-
 8 TIES.—Section 146 of the National and Community
 9 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12602) is amend-
 10 ed—

11 (A) in subsection (c)—

12 (i) by striking “Although” and insert-
 13 ing the following:

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Although”; and

15 (ii) by adding at the end the fol-
 16 lowing:

17 “(2) TERMS OF SERVICE FOR ENCORE SERVICE
 18 OPPORTUNITIES.—

19 “(A) NUMBER OF TERMS.—Notwith-
 20 standing paragraph (1) and section 147, a par-
 21 ticipant who is age 50 or older on the first day
 22 of the participant’s service under subtitle C or
 23 G may receive a national service educational
 24 award for not more than 3 terms of service
 25 under subtitle C or G.

1 “(B) AMOUNT OF AWARD.—The partici-
2 pant shall receive—

3 “(i) a national service educational
4 award in the amount described in the cor-
5 responding provision of section 147, for
6 the first or second term of such service;
7 and

8 “(ii) a reduced national service edu-
9 cational award equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the amount
10 described in the corresponding provision of
11 section 147, for the third term of such
12 service.”; and

13 (B) in subsection (d), by adding at the end
14 the following:

15 “(3) TERM FOR TRANSFERRED EDUCATIONAL
16 AWARDS.—For purposes of applying paragraphs (1)
17 and (2)(A) to an individual who is eligible to receive
18 an educational award as a designated individual (as
19 defined in section 148(f)(3)), references to a seven-
20 year period shall be considered to be references to a
21 15-year period that begins on the date the individual
22 who transferred the educational award to the des-
23 ignated individual completed the term of service in
24 the approved national service position that is the
25 basis of the award.”.

(3) EDUCATIONAL AWARD TRANSFERS TO ENCOURAGE ENCORE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES.—Section 148 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12604) is amended—

(A) in subsection (c)(5), by striking “subtitle C” and inserting “subtitle C or the appropriate national service program under subtitle G, as applicable”;

(B) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and

(C) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

“(f) TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual who is eligible to receive a national service educational award under a program described in paragraph (2) may elect to receive a reduced national service educational award (equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the amount described in the corresponding provision of section 147) and transfer the award to a designated individual. Subsections (b), (c), and (d) shall apply to the designated individual in lieu of the individual who is eligible to receive the national service educational award, except that amounts refunded to the account under subsection (c)(5) on behalf of a designated in-

1 dividual may be used by the Corporation to fund ad-
 2 ditional placements in the national service program
 3 in which the eligible individual who transferred the
 4 national service educational award participated for
 5 such award.

6 “(2) CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER.—A national
 7 service educational award may be transferred under
 8 this subsection if—

9 “(A) the educational award is for service in
 10 a national service program that receives a grant
 11 under subtitle G; and

12 “(B) the eligible individual is age 50 or
 13 older.

14 “(3) DEFINITION OF A DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL.—In this subsection, the term ‘designated
 15 individual’ is an individual—

17 “(A) whom an individual who is eligible to
 18 receive a national service educational award
 19 under a program described in paragraph (2)
 20 designates to receive the educational award;

21 “(B) who meets the eligibility requirements
 22 of paragraphs (3) and (4) of section 146(a);
 23 and

24 “(C) who is a child or grandchild of the in-
 25 dividual described in subparagraph (A).”.

1 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 2 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of
 3 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)), as amended by section
 4 121(b), is further amended by adding at the end the fol-
 5 lowing:

6 “(6) SERVEAMERICA CORPS.—There are au-
 7 thorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
 8 necessary for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014
 9 to provide financial assistance under subtitle G of
 10 title I and to provide national service educational
 11 awards under subtitle D of title I (including pro-
 12 viding financial assistance and national service edu-
 13 cational awards to participants in national service
 14 positions, established or increased as provided in
 15 section 168(c)(7)).”.

16 **Subtitle D—Civic Health Index**

17 **SEC. 141. INDEX.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 179 of the National and
 19 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12639) is
 20 amended by adding at the end the following:

21 “(j) CIVIC HEALTH INDEX AND VOLUNTEERING RE-
 22 SEARCH AND EVALUATION.—

23 “(1) DEFINITION OF PARTNERSHIP.—In this
 24 subsection, the term ‘partnership’ means a partner-
 25 ship formed by the Corporation, the Director of the

1 Bureau of the Census, and the Commissioner of
2 Labor Statistics, in conjunction with (consistent
3 with the terms of an agreement entered into between
4 the Corporation and the National Conference) the
5 National Conference on Citizenship referred to in
6 section 150701 of title 36, United States Code, to
7 carry out this subsection.

8 “(2) IN GENERAL.—The partnership shall es-
9 tablish a Civic Health Index by collecting civic
10 health data, conducting related analyses, and report-
11 ing the data and analyses, as described in this sub-
12 section.

13 “(3) COLLECTION OF DATA.—

14 “(A) INDICATORS.—

15 “(i) IN GENERAL.—In collecting data
16 for the Index, the partnership shall collect
17 data on various indicators established by
18 the partnership, including indicators re-
19 lated to—

20 “(I) volunteering and community
21 service;

22 “(II) voting and other forms of
23 political and civic engagement;

24 “(III) charitable giving;

1 “(IV) connecting to civic groups
2 and faith-based organizations;

3 “(V) interest in employment, and
4 careers, in public service in the non-
5 profit sector or government; and

6 “(VI) understanding and obtain-
7 ing knowledge of United States his-
8 tory and government.

9 “(ii) UPDATING.—The partnership
10 shall periodically evaluate and update the
11 indicators.

12 “(B) DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS.—
13 The partnership shall collect data for the Index
14 in a manner that will permit the partnership to
15 analyze the data by age group, race and eth-
16 nicity, education level, and other demographic
17 characteristics of the individuals involved.

18 “(C) OTHER ISSUES.—In collecting data
19 for the Index, the partnership shall collect such
20 information as may be necessary to analyze the
21 role of Internet technology in strengthening and
22 inhibiting civic activities, the role of specific
23 programs in strengthening civic activities, and
24 the civic attitudes and activities of new citizens
25 and immigrants.

1 “(D) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER DATA.—To
2 collect data for the Index, the partnership shall
3 consider methods of expanding data collection
4 conducted by the Bureau of the Census,
5 through the Current Population Survey, or by
6 the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

7 “(4) REPORTING OF DATA.—

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The partnership shall,
9 not less often than once each year, prepare a
10 report containing detailed data collected under
11 paragraph (3), including data on each of the in-
12 dicators described in paragraph (3)(A), and
13 containing the analyses described in subpara-
14 graphs (B) and (C) of paragraph (3).

15 “(B) AGGREGATION AND PRESEN-
16 TATION.—The partnership shall, to the extent
17 practicable, aggregate the data collected under
18 paragraph (3) by community, by State, and na-
19 tionally. The report shall present the aggre-
20 gated data in a form that enables communities
21 and States to assess their civic health, as meas-
22 ured on each of the indicators, and compare
23 those measures with comparable measures of
24 other communities and States.

1 “(C) SUBMISSION.—The partnership shall
2 submit the report to the Committee on Edu-
3 cation and Labor of the House of Representa-
4 tives and the Committee on Health, Education,
5 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and make
6 the report available to the general public on the
7 Corporation’s website.

8 “(5) CONFERENCES AND FORUMS.—The part-
9 nership shall hold conferences and forums to discuss
10 the implications of the data and analyses reported
11 under paragraph (4).

12 “(6) VOLUNTEERING RESEARCH AND EVALUA-
13 TION.—

14 “(A) RESEARCH.—The partnership shall
15 provide for baseline research and tracking of
16 domestic and international volunteering, and
17 baseline research and tracking related to rel-
18 evant data on the indicators described in para-
19 graph (3). In providing for the research and
20 tracking under this paragraph, the partnership
21 shall consider methods of expanding research
22 and tracking conducted by the Bureau of Labor
23 Statistics.

24 “(B) IMPACT RESEARCH AND EVALUA-
25 TION.—The partnership shall provide for re-

1 search on, and evaluations of, the impact of do-
 2 mestic and international volunteering, including
 3 an assessment of best practices for such volun-
 4 teering, and methods of improving such volun-
 5 teering through enhanced collaboration among
 6 entities that recruit, manage, support, and uti-
 7 lize volunteers, institutions of higher education,
 8 and research institutions.”.

9 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 10 501(a) of the National and Community Service Act of
 11 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)), as amended in section 131(e),
 12 is further amended by adding at the end the following:

13 “(7) CIVIC HEALTH INDEX AND VOLUNTEERING
 14 RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.—In addition to any
 15 amounts appropriated under paragraph (4), there
 16 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out sec-
 17 tion 179(j), \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2010 and
 18 \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2011 through
 19 2014.”.

20 **Subtitle E—ServeAmerica and** 21 **Encore Fellowships**

22 **SEC. 151. SERVEAMERICA AND ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.**

23 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

24 (1) Full- and part-time volunteer service, both
 25 at the national and State levels, can effectively tack-

1 le pressing national challenges and improve commu-
 2 nities throughout the United States.

3 (2) Individual service plans and opportunities
 4 can improve the ability of the nonprofit sector to ad-
 5 dress areas of national need by introducing more
 6 personal innovation and ingenuity into volunteer
 7 service efforts.

8 (3) Many individuals in the United States who
 9 are retiring or age 50 or older have shown an in-
 10 creasing interest in community service and, by uti-
 11 lizing their individual skills and expertise, volunteer
 12 organizations can find creative solutions to pressing
 13 national problems.

14 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

15 (1) to provide, by 2014, individual fellowships
 16 to 5,000 individuals annually, allowing the individ-
 17 uals to propose their own plans for serving in their
 18 communities and addressing areas of national need;

19 (2) to focus the ideas and creativity of individ-
 20 uals into addressing national challenges such as im-
 21 proving education for low-income students, increas-
 22 ing energy conservation, improving access to health
 23 care for, and the health status of, low-income indi-
 24 viduals, and creating new economic opportunities for
 25 low-income individuals; and

1 (3) to provide Encore Fellowships to individuals
 2 age 50 or older to draw on the individuals’ talents
 3 and experience, to improve the effectiveness of vol-
 4 unteer service organizations, and to provide the indi-
 5 viduals with the support they need to make a transi-
 6 tion to longer-term work in public service in the non-
 7 profit sector or government.

8 (c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Subtitle J of title I of
 9 the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42
 10 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.), as redesignated by section 121, is
 11 amended by adding at the end the following:

12 **“SEC. 198E. SERVEAMERICA AND ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.**

13 “(a) SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.—

14 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

15 “(A) AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The
 16 term ‘area of national need’ means an area re-
 17 lated to—

18 “(i) improving education in public
 19 schools for economically disadvantaged stu-
 20 dents;

21 “(ii) expanding and improving access
 22 to health care;

23 “(iii) improving energy efficiency and
 24 conserving natural resources;

1 “(iv) improving economic opportuni-
 2 ties for economically disadvantaged individ-
 3 uals; or

4 “(v) improving disaster preparedness
 5 and response.

6 “(B) CAMPUS OF SERVICE.—The term
 7 ‘Campus of Service’ means an institution of
 8 higher education designated as a Campus of
 9 Service under section 119E.

10 “(C) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT.—
 11 The term ‘eligible fellowship recipient’ means
 12 an individual who is selected by a State Com-
 13 mission under paragraph (4)(E) and, as a re-
 14 sult of such selection, is eligible for a
 15 ServeAmerica Fellowship.

16 “(D) FELLOW.—The term ‘fellow’ means
 17 an eligible fellowship recipient who is awarded
 18 a ServeAmerica Fellowship and is designated a
 19 fellow under paragraph (5)(B).

20 “(2) SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—
 21 The Corporation shall establish and carry out a
 22 ServeAmerica Fellowship program.

23 “(3) GRANTS.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall
 25 make grants (including financial assistance and

1 a corresponding allotment of approved national
 2 service positions), from allotments described in
 3 subparagraph (B), to the State Commissions of
 4 each of the several States, the District of Co-
 5 lumbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
 6 that has an application approved by the Cor-
 7 poration, to enable the State Commissions to
 8 award ServeAmerica Fellowships under para-
 9 graph (5). The fellowships shall be used to en-
 10 able fellows to carry out service projects in
 11 areas of national need.

12 “(B) RESERVATION; ALLOTMENT.—

13 “(i) RESERVATION.—From the
 14 amount appropriated under section
 15 501(a)(2)(C) for a fiscal year, the Cor-
 16 poration shall reserve not more than 3 per-
 17 cent to administer the program under this
 18 subsection.

19 “(ii) ALLOTMENT.—The amount allot-
 20 ted as a grant to a State Commission
 21 under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal year
 22 shall be equal to the amount that bears the
 23 same ratio to the amount appropriated
 24 under section 501(a)(2)(C) and not re-
 25 served under clause (i) for that fiscal year,

1 as the population of the State bears to the
 2 total population of the several States, the
 3 District of Columbia, and the Common-
 4 wealth of Puerto Rico.

5 “(C) NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Cor-
 6 poration shall—

7 “(i) establish or increase the number
 8 of positions that are approved as approved
 9 national service positions under this sub-
 10 section during each of fiscal years 2010
 11 through 2014;

12 “(ii) establish the number of approved
 13 positions at 1,000 for fiscal year 2010; and

14 “(iii) increase the number of the ap-
 15 proved positions to—

16 “(I) 2,000 for fiscal year 2011;

17 “(II) 3,000 for fiscal year 2012;

18 “(III) 4,000 for fiscal year 2013;

19 and

20 “(IV) 5,000 for fiscal year 2014.

21 “(D) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to re-
 22 ceive such a grant, a State Commission shall
 23 submit an application to the Corporation at
 24 such time, in such manner, and containing such
 25 information as the Corporation may require, in-

cluding information on the criteria and procedures that the State Commission will use for overseeing placements for service projects, and awarding ServeAmerica Fellowships, under paragraph (5).

“(4) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the program, the Corporation shall, each fiscal year, maintain a list of eligible fellowship recipients selected under subparagraph (E).

“(B) APPLICATION.—An individual desiring to be selected as an eligible fellowship recipient shall submit an application to a State Commission, a Campus of Service, or an institution of higher education, that has elected to participate in the program carried out under this subsection, at such time and in such manner as the Commission, Campus, or institution may require, and containing the information described in subparagraph (C) and such additional information as the Commission, Campus, or institution may require. An individual may submit such application to only 1 entity under this subparagraph for a fiscal year.

1 “(C) CONTENTS.—The Corporation shall
 2 specify information to be provided in the appli-
 3 cation, which shall include—

4 “(i) a description of the area of na-
 5 tional need that the applicant hopes to ad-
 6 dress through service in the service project;

7 “(ii) a description of the skills and ex-
 8 perience the applicant has to address the
 9 area of national need;

10 “(iii) a description of the type of serv-
 11 ice that the applicant plans to provide as
 12 a fellow; and

13 “(iv) information identifying the State
 14 in which the applicant will serve (which, in
 15 the case of an application submitted to a
 16 State Commission, shall be the State
 17 served by the Commission) and the local
 18 area in which the applicant plans to serve,
 19 for the service project.

20 “(D) NOMINATIONS BY CAMPUSES OF
 21 SERVICE AND INSTITUTIONS.—After reviewing
 22 the applications—

23 “(i) each Campus of Service may
 24 nominate not fewer than 8 individuals for

1 consideration by the State Commission as
2 eligible fellowship recipients; and

3 “(ii) each institution of higher edu-
4 cation that is not a Campus of Service may
5 nominate not fewer than 4 individuals for
6 consideration by the State Commission as
7 eligible fellowship recipients.

8 “(E) SELECTION.—Each State Commis-
9 sion shall select, from the applicants nominated
10 by Campuses of Service and institutions of
11 higher education serving the State and the ap-
12 plicants received by the State Commission for a
13 fiscal year, the number of eligible fellowship re-
14 cipients that may be supported for that fiscal
15 year based on the grant received by the State
16 Commission under paragraph (3)(A). A total of
17 not less than 10 percent and not more than 15
18 percent of the eligible fellowship recipients se-
19 lected by the State Commission for a fiscal year
20 shall be individuals nominated by a Campus of
21 Service or an institution of higher education.

22 “(5) FELLOWS.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to par-
24 ticipate in a service project through the pro-
25 gram as a fellow and receive a ServeAmerica

1 Fellowship, an eligible fellowship recipient
2 shall—

3 “(i) within 6 months after being se-
4 lected as an eligible fellowship recipient,
5 select an appropriate service sponsor orga-
6 nization described in paragraph (6) in the
7 State described in paragraph (4)(C)(iv),
8 with which the individual is interested in
9 serving under this subsection;

10 “(ii) enter into an agreement with the
11 organization—

12 “(I) that specifies the service the
13 individual will provide if the place-
14 ment is approved; and

15 “(II) in which the individual
16 agrees to serve for 1 year on a full-
17 time or part-time basis (as determined
18 by the Corporation); and

19 “(iii) submit such agreement to the
20 State Commission.

21 “(B) AWARD.—Upon receiving the eligible
22 fellowship recipient’s agreement under subpara-
23 graph (A), the State Commission shall award a
24 ServeAmerica Fellowship to the recipient and
25 designate the recipient as a fellow.

1 “(C) FELLOWSHIP AMOUNT.—

2 “(i) IN GENERAL.—From funds re-
3 ceived under paragraph (3), each State
4 Commission shall award each of the
5 State’s fellows a ServeAmerica Fellowship
6 amount that is equal to 50 percent of the
7 amount of the total average annual sub-
8 sistence allowance provided to VISTA vol-
9 unteers under section 105 of the Domestic
10 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.
11 4955).

12 “(ii) AMOUNT FROM SERVICE SPON-
13 SOR ORGANIZATION.—Except as provided
14 in clause (iii), the service sponsor organiza-
15 tion shall award to the fellow serving such
16 organization an amount that will ensure
17 that the total award received by the fellow
18 for service in the service project (consisting
19 of that amount and the ServeAmerica Fel-
20 lowship amount the fellow receives under
21 clause (i)) is equal to or greater than 70
22 percent of the average annual subsistence
23 allowance provided to VISTA volunteers
24 under section 105 of the Domestic Volun-
25 teer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).

1 “(iii) MAXIMUM LIVING ALLOW-
2 ANCE.—The total amount that may be pro-
3 vided to a fellow under this subparagraph
4 shall not exceed 100 percent of the average
5 annual subsistence allowance provided to
6 VISTA volunteers under section 105 of the
7 Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973
8 (42 U.S.C. 4955).

9 “(iv) PRORATION OF AMOUNT.—In
10 the case of a fellow who is authorized to
11 serve a part-time term of service under the
12 agreement described in subparagraph
13 (A)(ii), the amount provided to a fellow
14 under this subparagraph shall be prorated
15 accordingly.

16 “(v) WAIVER.—The Corporation may
17 allow a State Commission to waive the
18 amount required under clause (ii) from the
19 service sponsor organization for a fellow
20 serving the organization if—

21 “(I) such requirement is incon-
22 sistent with the objectives of the
23 ServeAmerica Fellowship program;
24 and

1 “(II) the amount provided to the
2 fellow under clause (i) is sufficient to
3 meet the necessary costs of living (in-
4 cluding food, housing, and transpor-
5 tation) in the area in which the
6 ServeAmerica Fellowship program is
7 located.

8 “(6) SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each service sponsor
10 organization shall—

11 “(i) be a nonprofit organization; and

12 “(ii) at the time of registration with a
13 State Commission, enter into an agreement
14 providing that the service sponsor organi-
15 zation shall—

16 “(I) abide by all program re-
17 quirements;

18 “(II) provide an amount de-
19 scribed in paragraph (5)(C)(ii) for
20 each fellow serving with the organiza-
21 tion through the ServeAmerica Fel-
22 lowship;

23 “(III) be responsible for certi-
24 fying whether each fellow serving with
25 the organization successfully com-

1 pleted the ServeAmerica Fellowship,
 2 and record and certify in a manner
 3 specified by the Corporation the num-
 4 ber of hours served by a fellow for
 5 purposes of determining the fellow's
 6 eligibility for benefits; and

7 “(IV) provide timely access to
 8 records relating to the ServeAmerica
 9 Fellowship to the State Commission,
 10 the Corporation, and the Corpora-
 11 tion's Inspector General.

12 “(B) REGISTRATION.—

13 “(i) REQUIREMENT.—No service
 14 sponsor organization may receive a fellow
 15 under this subsection until the organiza-
 16 tion registers with the State Commission.

17 “(ii) REVOCATION.—A State Commis-
 18 sion shall revoke the registration of any
 19 service sponsor organization if the State
 20 Commission determines after a hearing
 21 that the organization is in violation of any
 22 of the applicable provisions of this sub-
 23 section.

24 “(7) COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE
 25 CATEGORIES.—Service under a ServeAmerica Fel-

1 lowship shall comply with section 132(a). For pur-
 2 poses of applying that section to this subsection, a
 3 reference to assistance shall be considered to be a
 4 reference to assistance provided under this section.

5 “(8) REPORTS.—Each service sponsor organiza-
 6 tion that receives a fellow under this subsection
 7 shall, on a biweekly basis, report to the Corporation
 8 on the number of hours served and the services pro-
 9 vided by that fellow. The Corporation shall establish
 10 a web portal for the organizations to use in report-
 11 ing the information.

12 “(9) EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—A fellow who
 13 serves in a service project under this subsection shall
 14 be considered to have served in an approved national
 15 service position and, upon meeting the requirements
 16 of section 147 for full-time or part-time national
 17 service, shall be eligible for a national service edu-
 18 cational award described in such section. The Cor-
 19 poration shall transfer an appropriate amount of
 20 funds to the National Service Trust to provide for
 21 the national service educational awards for such fel-
 22 lows.

23 “(b) ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.—

24 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

1 “(A) AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The
2 term ‘area of national need’ has the meaning
3 given the term in subsection (a)(1).

4 “(B) ELIGIBLE ENCORE FELLOWSHIP RE-
5 CIPIENT.—The term ‘eligible Encore Fellowship
6 recipient’ means an individual who is selected
7 under paragraph (3)(B) and, as a result of such
8 selection, is eligible for an Encore Fellowship.

9 “(C) ENCORE FELLOW.—The term ‘En-
10 core Fellow’ means an eligible Encore Fellow-
11 ship recipient who is awarded an Encore Fel-
12 lowship and is designated an Encore Fellow
13 under paragraph (5)(C).

14 “(2) ENCORE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall
16 establish and carry out an Encore Fellowship
17 program. In carrying out the program, the Cor-
18 poration shall award 1-year Encore Fellowships
19 to enable individuals age 50 or older—

20 “(i) to carry out service projects in
21 areas of national need; and

22 “(ii) to receive training and develop-
23 ment in order to transition to full- or part-
24 time public service in the nonprofit sector
25 or government.

1 “(B) PROGRAM.—In carrying out the pro-
2 gram, the Corporation shall—

3 “(i) maintain a list of eligible Encore
4 Fellowship recipients who are eligible to
5 participate in service projects through the
6 program and receive fellowships;

7 “(ii) maintain a list of organizations
8 that are eligible to have eligible Encore
9 Fellows placed with the organizations to
10 carry out service projects through the pro-
11 gram and provide the list to all eligible En-
12 core Fellowship recipients described in
13 clause (i); and

14 “(iii) at the request of an Encore Fel-
15 lowship recipient—

16 “(I) determine whether the re-
17 questing eligible Encore Fellowship
18 recipient is able to meet the service
19 needs of a listed organization, or an-
20 other organization that the recipient
21 requests in accordance with paragraph
22 (5)(B), for a service project; and

23 “(II) upon making a favorable
24 determination under subclause (I),
25 award the recipient with an Encore

1 Fellowship, and place the recipient
2 with the organization as an Encore
3 Fellow under paragraph (5)(C).

4 “(3) ELIGIBLE ENCORE FELLOWSHIP RECIPI-
5 ENTS.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—An individual desiring
7 to be selected as an eligible Encore Fellowship
8 recipient shall—

9 “(i) be an individual who is—

10 “(I) at least 50 years of age as
11 of the time the individual applies for
12 the program; and

13 “(II) not engaged in, but who
14 wishes to make a transition to being
15 engaged in, full- or part-time public
16 service in the nonprofit sector or gov-
17 ernment; and

18 “(ii) submit an application to the Cor-
19 poration, at such time, in such manner,
20 and containing such information as the
21 Corporation may require, including—

22 “(I) a description of the area of
23 national need that the applicant hopes
24 to address through the service project;

1 “(II) a description of the skills
2 and experience the applicant has to
3 address an area of national need; and

4 “(III) information identifying the
5 region of the United States in which
6 the applicant wishes to serve.

7 “(B) SELECTION BASIS.—In determining
8 which individuals to select as eligible Encore
9 Fellowship recipients, the Corporation shall—

10 “(i) select not more than 10 individ-
11 uals from each State; and

12 “(ii) give priority to individuals with
13 skills and experience for which there is an
14 ongoing high demand in the nonprofit sec-
15 tor and government.

16 “(4) LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be listed
17 under paragraph (2)(B)(ii), an organization shall—

18 “(A) be a nonprofit organization; and

19 “(B) submit an application to the Corpora-
20 tion at such time, in such manner, and con-
21 taining such information as the Corporation
22 may require, including—

23 “(i) a description of—

24 “(I) the services and activities
25 the organization carries out generally;

1 “(II) the area of national need
 2 that the organization seeks to address
 3 through a service project; and

4 “(III) the services and activities
 5 the organization seeks to carry out
 6 through the proposed service project;

7 “(ii) a description of the skills and ex-
 8 perience that an eligible Encore Fellowship
 9 recipient needs to be placed with the orga-
 10 nization as an Encore Fellow for the serv-
 11 ice project;

12 “(iii) a description of the training and
 13 leadership development the organization
 14 shall provide an Encore Fellow placed with
 15 the organization to assist the Encore Fel-
 16 low in obtaining a public service job in the
 17 nonprofit sector or government after the
 18 period of the Encore Fellowship; and

19 “(iv) evidence of the organization’s fi-
 20 nancial stability.

21 “(5) PLACEMENT.—

22 “(A) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH
 23 LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be placed with a
 24 listed organization under subparagraph (C) for
 25 a service project, an eligible Encore Fellowship

1 recipient shall submit an application for such
2 placement to the Corporation at such time, in
3 such manner, and containing such information
4 as the Corporation may require.

5 “(B) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH
6 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.—An eligible Encore
7 Fellowship recipient may apply to the Corpora-
8 tion to serve the recipient’s Encore Fellowship
9 year with a nonprofit organization that is not a
10 listed organization. Such application shall be
11 submitted to the Corporation at such time, in
12 such manner, and containing such information
13 as the Corporation shall require, and shall in-
14 clude—

15 “(i) an identification and description
16 of—

17 “(I) the organization;

18 “(II) the area of national need
19 the organization seeks to address; and

20 “(III) the services or activities
21 the organization carries out to address
22 such area of national need;

23 “(ii) a description of the services the
24 eligible Encore Fellowship recipient shall

1 provide for the organization as an Encore
 2 Fellow; and

3 “(iii) a letter of support from the
 4 leader of the organization, including—

5 “(I) a description of the organi-
 6 zation’s need for the eligible Encore
 7 Fellowship recipient’s services;

8 “(II) evidence that the organiza-
 9 tion is financially sound;

10 “(III) an assurance that the or-
 11 ganization will provide training and
 12 leadership development to the eligible
 13 Encore Fellowship recipient if placed
 14 with the organization as an Encore
 15 Fellow, to assist the Encore Fellow in
 16 obtaining a public service job in the
 17 nonprofit sector or government after
 18 the period of the Encore Fellowship;
 19 and

20 “(IV) a description of the train-
 21 ing and leadership development to be
 22 provided to the Encore Fellowship re-
 23 cipient if so placed.

24 “(C) PLACEMENT AND AWARD OF FEL-
 25 LOWSHIP.—If the Corporation determines that

1 the eligible Encore Fellowship recipient is able
 2 to meet the service needs (including skills and
 3 experience to address an area of national need)
 4 of the organization that the eligible fellowship
 5 recipient requests under subparagraph (A) or
 6 (B), the Corporation shall—

7 “(i) approve the placement of the eli-
 8 gible Encore Fellowship recipient with the
 9 organization;

10 “(ii) award the eligible Encore Fellow-
 11 ship recipient an Encore Fellowship for a
 12 period of 1 year and designate the eligible
 13 Encore Fellowship recipient as an Encore
 14 Fellow; and

15 “(iii) in awarding the Encore Fellow-
 16 ship, make a payment, in the amount of
 17 \$11,000, to the organization to enable the
 18 organization to provide living expenses to
 19 the Encore Fellow for the year in which
 20 the Encore Fellow agrees to serve.

21 “(6) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—An organiza-
 22 tion that receives an Encore Fellow under this sub-
 23 section shall agree to provide, for the living expenses
 24 of the Encore Fellow during the year of service, non-
 25 Federal contributions in an amount equal to not less

1 than \$1 for every \$1 of Federal funds provided to
 2 the organization for the Encore Fellow through the
 3 fellowship.

4 “(7) TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE.—Each orga-
 5 nization that receives an Encore Fellow under this
 6 subsection shall provide training, leadership develop-
 7 ment, and assistance to the Encore Fellow, and con-
 8 duct oversight of the service provided by the Encore
 9 Fellow.

10 “(8) LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.—Each year,
 11 the Corporation shall convene current and former
 12 Encore Fellows to discuss the Encore Fellows’ expe-
 13 riences related to service under this subsection and
 14 discuss strategies for increasing leadership and ca-
 15 reers in public service in the nonprofit sector or gov-
 16 ernment.”.

17 (d) NATIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—

18 (1) TRUST.—Section 145(d)(4) of the National
 19 and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 20 12601(d)(4)), as amended by section 131(d)(1)(B),
 21 is further amended by inserting “or section
 22 198E(a)” after “subtitle C or G”.

23 (2) TRANSFER OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—
 24 Section 148(f)(2)(A) of the National and Commu-
 25 nity Service Act of 1990 (20 U.S.C.

1 12604(f)(2)(A)), as added by section 131(d)(3)(C),
 2 is further amended by inserting “or section
 3 198E(a)” after “subtitle G”.

4 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 5 501(a)(2) of the National and Community Service Act of
 6 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(2)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by inserting
 8 “(other than section 198E)” after “H of title I”;
 9 and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(C) SERVEAMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.—

12 There are authorized to be appropriated such
 13 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal
 14 years 2010 through 2014 to provide financial
 15 assistance under section 198E(a) and to pro-
 16 vide national service educational awards under
 17 subtitle D of title I (including providing finan-
 18 cial assistance and national service educational
 19 awards to participants in national service posi-
 20 tions, established or increased as provided in
 21 section 198E(a)(3)(C)).

22 “(D) ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.—There are
 23 authorized to be appropriated to carry out sec-
 24 tion 198E(b), \$7,000,000 for each of fiscal
 25 years 2010 through 2014.”.

1 **Subtitle F—Volunteer Generation**
 2 **Fund; National Service Reserve**
 3 **Corps; Call To Service Cam-**
 4 **paign**

5 **SEC. 161. STATEMENT OF PURPOSES.**

6 The purposes of this subtitle are to—

7 (1) assist nonprofit, faith-based, and other civic
 8 organizations in the United States and State Com-
 9 missions in expanding the supply of volunteers and
 10 improving the capacity of such organizations and
 11 State Commissions to utilize new volunteers;

12 (2) spur innovation in volunteer recruitment
 13 and management practices, with a goal of increasing
 14 the number of volunteers in the United States each
 15 year;

16 (3) enable the people of the United States to ef-
 17 fect change throughout the United States by partici-
 18 pating in active volunteer and citizen service; and

19 (4) draw on the experience, skills, and training
 20 of national service alumni to assist local commu-
 21 nities that are affected by disasters.

22 **SEC. 162. ESTABLISHMENT OF VOLUNTEER GENERATION**
 23 **FUND.**

24 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subtitle J of title I of the Na-
 25 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.

1 12653 et seq.), as amended by section 151, is further
 2 amended by adding at the end the following:

3 **“SEC. 198F. VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.**

4 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 “(1) AREAS OF NATIONAL NEED.—The term
 6 ‘areas of national need’ has the meaning given the
 7 term in section 198E(a)(1).

8 “(2) CIVIC ENTITY.—The term ‘civic entity’
 9 means a local or national nonprofit organization, in-
 10 cluding a faith-based organization, that uses volun-
 11 teers to carry out activities in areas of national
 12 need.

13 “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
 14 tity’ means—

15 “(A) a State Commission; or

16 “(B) a nonprofit entity that provides tech-
 17 nical assistance and support to civic entities in
 18 recruiting, managing, and supporting volun-
 19 teers, such as a volunteer coordinating agency,
 20 a nonprofit resource center, a volunteer training
 21 clearinghouse, or an institution of higher edu-
 22 cation.

23 “(b) FUND.—

1 “(1) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—The Corporation
2 shall award grants on a competitive basis to eligible
3 entities to enable—

4 “(A) eligible entities to increase the num-
5 ber of volunteers available to carry out activities
6 that address areas of national need through
7 civic entities supported by the eligible entity; or

8 “(B) eligible entities described in sub-
9 section (a)(3)(A) to increase the number of vol-
10 unteers available to carry out statewide volun-
11 teer initiatives that address State priorities with
12 regard to areas of national need.

13 “(2) PERIOD OF GRANT.—The Corporation
14 shall award the grants for periods of not less than
15 3 years and not more than 5 years.

16 “(3) APPLICATION.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each eligible entity
18 desiring a grant under this subsection shall
19 submit an application to the Corporation at
20 such time, in such manner, and accompanied by
21 such information as the Corporation may rea-
22 sonably require.

23 “(B) CONTENTS.—Each application sub-
24 mitted pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall con-
25 tain—

1 “(i)(I) in the case of an eligible entity
2 that proposes to use grant funds to carry
3 out an activity described in paragraph
4 (1)(A), a description of the technical as-
5 sistance and support the entity provides to
6 civic entities in recruiting, managing, and
7 supporting additional volunteers; or

8 “(II) in the case of an eligible entity
9 that proposes to use grant funds to carry
10 out a statewide initiative described in para-
11 graph (1)(B), a description of the State
12 priorities with regard to areas of national
13 need and the proposed initiative to address
14 such priorities;

15 “(ii) an assurance that the eligible en-
16 tity will annually collect information on—

17 “(I) the number of volunteers re-
18 cruited for civic entities or to carry
19 out statewide initiatives described in
20 paragraph (1)(B), using funds re-
21 ceived under this subsection, and the
22 type and amount of activities carried
23 out by such volunteers; and

24 “(II) the number of volunteers
25 supported using funds received under

1 this subsection, and the type and
2 amount of activities carried out by
3 such volunteers;

4 “(iii) a description of any outcomes
5 the eligible entity will use to annually
6 measure and track performance with re-
7 gard to—

8 “(I) activities carried out by vol-
9 unteers; and

10 “(II) volunteers recruited, man-
11 aged, and supported;

12 “(iv) information describing how the
13 eligible entity will annually evaluate the ef-
14 fectiveness of the entity’s activities under
15 this subsection; and

16 “(v) such additional assurances as the
17 Corporation determines to be essential to
18 ensure compliance with the requirements
19 of this subsection.

20 “(4) USE OF FUNDS.—An eligible entity that
21 receives a grant under this subsection shall use
22 amounts provided through the grant to—

23 “(A) in the case of an eligible entity using
24 grant funds to carry out an activity described
25 in paragraph (1)(A)—

1 “(i) increase recruitment and training
2 of volunteers for a civic entity, relying on
3 best practices in volunteer recruitment and
4 management; or

5 “(ii) strengthen the capacity of a civic
6 entity to use volunteers; or

7 “(B) in the case of an eligible entity using
8 grant funds to carry out a statewide initiative
9 described in paragraph (1)(B), recruit, train,
10 and utilize volunteers to carry out statewide vol-
11 unteer initiatives.

12 “(5) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Each eligible
13 entity receiving a grant under this subsection shall
14 annually submit a report to the Corporation that in-
15 cludes the information described in paragraph
16 (3)(B)(ii), information on how the eligible entity per-
17 formed with regard to the outcomes described in
18 paragraph (3)(B)(iii), and the results of the evalua-
19 tion described in paragraph (3)(B)(iv).

20 “(6) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Each eligible
21 entity receiving a grant under this subsection shall
22 provide, from non-Federal sources, an amount equal
23 to the grant amount to carry out the activities sup-
24 ported by the grant.”.

1 (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 501(a)(2) of the Na-
 2 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 3 12681(a)(2)), as amended by section 151, is further
 4 amended—

5 (1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by striking
 6 “section 198E” each place it appears and inserting
 7 “sections 198E and 198F”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(E) VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND.—
 10 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry
 11 out section 198F—

12 “(i) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

13 “(ii) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

14 “(iii) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year
 15 2012;

16 “(iv) \$80,000,000 for fiscal year
 17 2013; and

18 “(v) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year
 19 2014.”.

20 **SEC. 163. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle J of title I of the Na-
 22 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 23 12653 et seq.), as amended by section 162, is further
 24 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 198G. NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS.**

2 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 “(1) TERM OF NATIONAL SERVICE.—The term
4 ‘term of national service’ means a term or period of
5 service under subtitle C, E, or G or section 198E of
6 this Act, or under part A of title I of the Domestic
7 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et
8 seq.).

9 “(2) NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE CORPS MEM-
10 BER.—The term ‘National Service Reserve Corps
11 member’ means an individual who—

12 “(A) has completed a term of national
13 service;

14 “(B) has successfully completed training
15 described in subsection (d) within the previous
16 2 years; and

17 “(C) is interested in responding to national
18 disasters and other emergencies through the
19 National Service Reserve Corps.

20 “(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RE-
21 SERVE CORPS.—The Corporation shall establish a Na-
22 tional Service Reserve Corps to prepare and deploy indi-
23 viduals who have completed a term of national service to
24 respond to natural disasters and other emergencies in a
25 timely manner.

1 “(c) NATIONAL SERVICE ALUMNI.—In establishing
2 and implementing the National Service Reserve Corps, the
3 Corporation may work with organizations representing in-
4 dividuals who have completed a term of national service,
5 as well as directly with such individuals.

6 “(d) ANNUAL TRAINING.—The Corporation shall, in
7 consultation with the Administrator of the Federal Emer-
8 gency Management Agency, conduct or coordinate annual
9 training sessions for individuals who have completed a
10 term of national service, and who wish to join the National
11 Service Reserve Corps.

12 “(e) CERTIFICATION OF ORGANIZATIONS.—On a bi-
13 annual basis, the Corporation shall certify organizations
14 with demonstrated experience in responding to disasters,
15 including through using volunteers, for participation in the
16 program under this section.

17 “(f) DATABASES.—The Corporation shall develop or
18 contract with an outside organization to develop—

19 “(1) a database of all National Service Reserve
20 Corps members; and

21 “(2) a database of all nonprofit organizations
22 that—

23 “(A) have been certified by the Corpora-
24 tion under subsection (e); and

1 “(B) are prepared to respond to major dis-
2 asters or emergencies with members of the Na-
3 tional Service Reserve Corps.

4 “(g) DEPLOYMENT OF NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE
5 CORPS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If a major disaster or
7 emergency designated by the President under the
8 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency
9 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) occurs that
10 the Corporation, in consultation with the Adminis-
11 trator of the Federal Emergency Management Agen-
12 cy, determines is an incident for which National
13 Service Reserve Corps members are prepared to as-
14 sist, the Corporation shall—

15 “(A) deploy interested National Service
16 Reserve Corps members on 30-day assignments
17 to assist with local needs related to preparing
18 or recovering from the incident in the affected
19 area, through organizations certified under sub-
20 section (e);

21 “(B) make travel arrangements for the de-
22 ployed National Service Reserve Corps members
23 to the site of the incident; and

24 “(C) provide funds to those organizations
25 that are responding to the incident with de-

1 ployed National Service Reserve Corps mem-
2 bers, to enable the organizations to coordinate
3 and provide housing, living stipends, and insur-
4 ance for those deployed members.

5 “(2) STIPEND FUND.—Any amounts that are
6 appropriated under section 501(a)(2)(F) to carry
7 out paragraph (1) for a fiscal year shall be kept in
8 a separate fund. Any amounts in such fund that are
9 not used during a fiscal year shall remain available
10 for the next fiscal year for the purpose of carrying
11 out such paragraph.

12 “(h) INFORMATION.—The Corporation, the State
13 Commissions, and entities receiving financial assistance
14 for programs under subtitle C, E, or G or section 198E
15 of this Act, or under part A of title I of the Domestic
16 Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.),
17 shall inform participants of those programs of the Na-
18 tional Service Reserve Corps upon the participants’ com-
19 pletion of their term of national service.

20 “(i) COORDINATION.—In deploying National Service
21 Reserve Corps members under subsection (g), the Cor-
22 poration may consult and, as appropriate, partner with
23 Citizen Corps programs in the affected area.”.

24 (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 501(a)(2) of the Na-
25 tional and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.

1 12681(a)(2)), as amended by section 162, is further
2 amended—

3 (1) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by striking
4 “and 198F” each place it appears and inserting
5 “, 198F, and 198G”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(F) NATIONAL SERVICE RESERVE
8 CORPS.—There is authorized to be appro-
9 priated—

10 “(i) \$6,500,000 in year 2010, of
11 which—

12 “(I) not more than \$1,500,000
13 shall be used to carry out section
14 198G (other than section 198G(f)(1));
15 and

16 “(II) the amount remaining after
17 the application of subclause (I) shall
18 be used to carry out section
19 198G(f)(1); and

20 “(ii) for each succeeding fiscal year—

21 “(I) \$1,000,000 to carry out sec-
22 tion 198G (other than section
23 198G(f)(1)); and

24 “(II) such sums as are necessary
25 to carry out section 198G(f)(1) so

1 that the amount available for such fis-
2 cal year to carry out such section, in-
3 cluding any amounts remaining in the
4 fund described in section 198G(f)(2),
5 is equal to \$4,000,000.”.

6 **SEC. 164. CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.**

7 Subtitle J of title I of the National and Community
8 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12653 et seq.), as amend-
9 ed by section 163, is further amended by adding at the
10 end the following:

11 **“SEC. 198H. CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.**

12 “Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
13 of the Serve America Act, the Corporation shall conduct
14 a nationwide ‘Call To Service’ campaign, to encourage all
15 people of the United States, regardless of age, race, eth-
16 nicity, religion, or economic status, to engage in full- or
17 part-time national service, long- or short-term public serv-
18 ice in the nonprofit sector or government, or volunteering.
19 In conducting the campaign, the Corporation may collabo-
20 rate with other Federal agencies and entities, State Com-
21 missions, Governors, nonprofit and faith-based organiza-
22 tions, businesses, institutions of higher education, elemen-
23 tary schools, and secondary schools.”.

Subtitle G—Conforming Amendments

SEC. 171. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) Section 101 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (17)(A)(i), by striking “subtitle C” and inserting “subtitles C and G”;
and

(B) in paragraph (19)—

(i) by striking “119(b)(1), or 122(a), or in” and inserting “or 119(b)(1), subpart B of part I, or part III, of subtitle B of title I, or section 122(a), in”;

(ii) by inserting “or in part II or III of subtitle F, or in subtitle G, of title I,” after “152(b),”; and

(iii) by striking “or 198D” and inserting “198D, 198E, 198F, or 198G”.

(2) Section 117E of such Act (42 U.S.C. 12546) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)—

1 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking
2 “116(a)(1)” and inserting “114C(a)(1)”;
3 and

4 (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking
5 “116(a)(2)” and inserting “114C(a)(2)”;
6 and

7 (B) by striking “116(b)” and inserting
8 “114C(b)”.

9 (3) Section 118(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
10 12551(a)) is amended by striking “subtitle H” and
11 inserting “subtitle J”.

12 (4) Section 119(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
13 12561(c)) is amended—

14 (A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking
15 “116(a)(2)” and inserting “114C(a)(2)”; and
16 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “116(b)”
17 and inserting “114C(b)”.

18 (5) Section 122(a)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
19 12572(a)(2)) is amended by striking “subtitle I”
20 and inserting “subtitle K”.

21 (6) Section 193A(f)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
22 12651d(f)(1)) is amended by striking “subtitles C
23 and I” and inserting “subtitles C and K”.

24 (7) Section 501(a)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
25 12681(a)(2)) is amended—

1 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking
 2 “C, D, AND H” and inserting “C, D, AND J”;

3 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-
 4 titles C and H” and inserting “subtitles C and
 5 J”; and

6 (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking “sub-
 7 title H” and inserting “subtitle J”.

8 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—

9 (1) The table of contents in section 1(b) of such
 10 Act is amended—

11 (A) by striking the items relating to sec-
 12 tions 115, 115A, 116, 116A, and 116B and in-
 13 serting the following:

“Sec. 114A. Consideration of applications.

“Sec. 114B. Participation of students and teachers from private schools.

“Sec. 114C. Federal, State, and local contributions.

“Sec. 114D. Limitations on uses of funds.

“Sec. 114E. Definitions.”;

14 (B) by striking the item relating to the
 15 subpart heading of subpart C of part I of sub-
 16 title B of title I and inserting the following:

“SUBPART D—CLEARINGHOUSE”;

17 (C) by striking the item relating to the
 18 subpart heading of subpart B of part I of sub-
 19 title B of title I and inserting the following:

“SUBPART C—COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL-AGE
 YOUTH”;

1 (D) by inserting after the items relating to
 2 subpart A of part I of subtitle B of title I the
 3 following:

“SUBPART B—YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICE-LEARNING TO STRENGTHEN
 LOCAL COMMUNITIES

“Sec. 115. Grant program.”;

4 (E) by inserting after the items relating to
 5 part II of subtitle B of title I the following:

“PART III—CAMPUS OF SERVICE PROGRAM

“Sec. 119E. Campuses of Service.”;

6 (F) by inserting after the items relating to
 7 part III of subtitle B of title I (as added by
 8 subparagraph (E)) the following:

“PART IV—SERVICE-LEARNING IMPACT STUDY

“Sec. 119F. Study and report.”;

9 (G) by striking the item relating to the
 10 subtitle heading for subtitle I of title I and in-
 11 serting the following:

“Subtitle K—American Conservation and Youth Corps”;

12 (H) by striking the item relating to the
 13 subtitle heading for subtitle H of title I and in-
 14 serting the following:

“Subtitle J—Investment for Quality and Innovation”;

15 (I) by striking the item relating to the sub-
 16 title heading for subtitle G of title I and insert-
 17 ing the following:

“Subtitle I—Corporation for National and Community Service”;

1 (J) by striking the item relating to the
 2 subtitle heading for subtitle F of title I and in-
 3 serting the following:

“Subtitle H—Administrative Provisions”;

4 (K) by inserting after the items relating to
 5 subtitle E of title I the following:

“Subtitle F—Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship

“PART I—COMMISSION ON CROSS-SECTOR SOLUTIONS

“Sec. 167. Commission.

“PART II—COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS FUNDS

“Sec. 167A. Funds.

“PART III—INNOVATION FELLOWSHIPS PILOT PROGRAM

“Sec. 167B. Program.

“Subtitle G—ServeAmerica Corps

“Sec. 168. Corps.”;

6 (L) by adding at the end of the items re-
 7 lating to subtitle J (as so redesignated) of title
 8 I the following:

“Sec. 198E. ServeAmerica and Encore Fellowships.”;

9 and

10 (M) by adding at the end of the items re-
 11 lating to subtitle J (as so amended and redesign-
 12 nated) of title I the following:

“Sec. 198F. Volunteer Generation Fund.

“Sec. 198G. ServeAmerica Emergency Response Reserve Corps.

“Sec. 198H. Call To Service campaign.”.

TITLE II—VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY PROGRAM

SEC. 201. FINDINGS.

Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Americans engaged in international volunteer service, and the organizations deploying them—

(A) play critical roles in responding to the needs of people living throughout the developing world; and

(B) advance the international public diplomacy of the United States.

(2) The Volunteers for Prosperity Program has successfully promoted international volunteer service by skilled American professionals.

(3) In its first 4 years, the VfP Program helped to mobilize 74,000 skilled Americans, including doctors, nurses, engineers, businesspeople, and teachers, through a network of 250 nonprofit organizations and companies in the United States, to carry out development and humanitarian efforts for those affected by great global challenges in health, the environment, poverty, illiteracy, financial literacy, disaster relief, and other challenges.

(4) The VfP Program has undertaken activities, including—

1 (A) direct outreach to leading nonprofit or-
2 ganizations and companies in the United
3 States;

4 (B) promotion of the work of skilled Amer-
5 icans and nonprofit organizations and compa-
6 nies in the United States as it relates to inter-
7 national volunteer service;

8 (C) public recognition of skilled American
9 volunteers;

10 (D) support for organizations that utilize
11 skilled Americans as volunteers;

12 (E) participation in the development of
13 special initiatives to further opportunities for
14 skilled Americans; and

15 (F) leadership of an innovative public-pri-
16 vate partnership to provide eligible skilled with
17 financial assistance for volunteer assignments.

18 **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

19 In this title:

20 (1) VFP OFFICE.—The term “VfP Office”
21 means the Office of Volunteers for Prosperity of the
22 United States Agency for International Develop-
23 ment.

1 (2) VFP PROGRAM.—The term “VfP Program”
 2 means the Volunteers for Prosperity Program estab-
 3 lished through Executive Order 13317.

4 (3) VFPSERVE.—The term “VfPServe” means
 5 a program established by the VfP Office, in coopera-
 6 tion with the USA Freedom Corps and the Global
 7 Giving Foundation, to provide eligible skilled profes-
 8 sionals with fixed amount stipends to offset the trav-
 9 el and living costs of volunteering abroad.

10 **SEC. 203. OFFICE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY.**

11 (a) FUNCTIONS.—The VfP Office shall pursue the
 12 objectives of the VfP Program described in subsection (b)
 13 by—

14 (1) implementing the VfPServe Program to pro-
 15 vide eligible skilled professionals with fixed amount
 16 stipends to offset the travel and living expenses of
 17 volunteering abroad with nonprofit organizations;

18 (2) otherwise promoting short- and long-term
 19 international volunteer service by skilled American
 20 professionals, including connecting such profes-
 21 sionals with nonprofit organizations, to achieve such
 22 objectives;

23 (3) helping nonprofit organizations in the
 24 United States recruit and effectively manage addi-

1 tional skilled American professionals for volunteer
2 assignments throughout the developing world;

3 (4) providing recognition for skilled American
4 volunteers and the organizations deploying them;

5 (5) helping nonprofit organizations and cor-
6 porations in the United States to identify resources
7 and opportunities in international volunteer service
8 utilizing skilled Americans;

9 (6) encouraging the establishment of inter-
10 national volunteer programs for employees of United
11 States corporations; and

12 (7) encouraging international voluntary service
13 by highly skilled Americans to promote health and
14 prosperity throughout the world.

15 (b) VFP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of
16 the VFP Program shall be to—

17 (1) eliminate extreme poverty;

18 (2) reduce world hunger and malnutrition;

19 (3) increase access to safe potable water;

20 (4) enact universal education;

21 (5) reduce child mortality and childhood dis-
22 eases;

23 (6) combat the spread of preventable diseases,
24 including HIV, malaria, and tuberculosis;

1 (7) provide educational and work skill support
 2 for girls and empowering women to achieve inde-
 3 pendence;

4 (8) create sustainable business and entrepre-
 5 neurial opportunities; and

6 (9) increase access to information technology.

7 (c) VOLUNTEERS FOR PROSPERITY SERVICE INCEN-
 8 TIVE PROGRAM.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The VfP Office may provide
 10 fixed amount stipends to offset the travel and living
 11 costs of volunteering abroad to any individual who—

12 (A) has skills relevant to addressing any
 13 objective described in subsection (b); and

14 (B) provides a dollar-for-dollar match for
 15 such stipend—

16 (i) through the organization with
 17 which the individual is serving; or

18 (ii) by raising private funds.

19 (2) NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT.—The
 20 VfP Office may not provide a stipend to an indi-
 21 vidual under paragraph (1) unless the individual
 22 provides an assurance that he or she will not dis-
 23 criminate with respect to any project or activity be-
 24 cause of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, polit-
 25 ical affiliation, or beliefs.

1 (3) COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE
2 CATEGORIES.—Service carried out by a volunteer re-
3 ceiving funds under this section may not provide a
4 direct benefit to any—

5 (A) business organized for profit;

6 (B) labor union;

7 (C) partisan political organization; or

8 (D) religious or faith-based organization
9 for the purpose of proselytization or sectarian
10 worship.

11 (d) FUNDING.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in
13 consultation with the Administrator of the United
14 States Agency for International Development, shall
15 make available the amounts appropriated pursuant
16 to section 204 to the VfP Office to pursue the objec-
17 tives described in subsection (b) by carrying out the
18 functions described in subsection (a).

19 (2) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts made available
20 under paragraph (1) may be used by the VfP Office
21 to provide personnel and other resources to develop,
22 manage, and expand the VfP Program, under the
23 supervision of the United States Agency for Inter-
24 national Development.

1 (e) COORDINATION.—The VfP Office shall coordinate
2 its efforts with other public and private efforts that aim
3 to send skilled professionals to serve in developing nations.

4 (f) REPORT.—The VfP Office shall submit an annual
5 report to Congress on the activities of the VfP Office.

6 **SEC. 204. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-
8 priated to carry out this title \$10,000,000 for each of the
9 fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

10 (b) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Of the amounts appro-
11 priated pursuant to subsection (a)—

12 (1) 90 percent shall be expended to expand
13 VfPServe; and

14 (2) 10 percent shall be expended to manage the
15 VfP Program.

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