

Nevada Volunteers (a nonprofit 501 (c)3 organization) serves as the Governor's commission to administer AmeriCorps programs throughout Nevada and as the state's authority for volunteer service information.

<u>Our mission is to enhance volunteerism and service through our AmeriCorps programs and our volunteer initiative.</u>

In that capacity, we value and strive to:

- Inspire individuals to engage in acts of giving and service to enrich their own lives and the lives of others
- Work collaboratively with organizations and businesses across the state who share our value for service and volunteerism
- Engage and train volunteers and those who work with them to maximize the power of their service
- Seek funding, including federal AmeriCorps funding, to meet critical needs in our state through service and volunteerism
- o Connect individuals and nonprofits through the Volunteer Match system on our website
- Inspire a culture of volunteerism that impacts the lives and enhances the quality of life for all our citizens

Each year Nevada Volunteers hosts the Governor's Points of Light Awards to honor individuals citizens, organizations, and businesses that have provided outstanding service to Nevada. Corporate and nonprofit organizations sponsor this event to recognize the dedication, commitment, and impact of volunteer efforts made during the year. Nevada Volunteers values their leadership and support in providing this recognition. In addition to recognizing outstanding volunteers throughout the year, Nevada Volunteers has implemented a Governor's Volunteer Service Recognition Certificate, signed by the Governor. Criteria can be found on our website.

"A lifetime of giving, a legacy of service, and the promise to make our state a better place always begins with a single act of kindness. Together, we inspire hundreds of individuals to give their first hour, first minute, first moment of time. By doing so, we continually replenish and expand our greatest resources for community service, citizens who care enough to make our state better." Amber Martin-Jahn, Executive Director of Nevada Volunteers