

Youth Engagement Zones Collaborative Grant Structure



Corporation for
NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Local Education Agency (LEA)

* LEA is defined by the State. For this competition, it may include one or more public secondary schools or entire school district(s)

* Secondary schools are characterized by:
 ≥70% free and reduced price lunch eligibility
 ≤70% graduation rate

Community College

* An accredited public institution of higher education, primarily featuring a two-year Associate's Degree or certificate program

* Must have existing connections to the LEA and/or youth-serving organizations

The Corporation seeks applications from two types of partnerships:

* Existing partnerships of two or more community entities that have an established track record of working together to address a particular community issue. They will seek to engage youth in service activities that address that issue(s).

* Existing partnerships of youth-serving organizations /social service providers that have an established track record of collaboration. They will seek to engage the youth they serve in service activities that address community needs.

Community-Based Entity

* A public or private nonprofit organization that has experience addressing unmet educational, environmental or public safety needs

* Examples include: institutions of higher education, community or faith-based organizations, Indian tribes, local or municipal governments, etc.

Lead Applicants Must Have:

- * Administrative Capacity
- * Organizational Commitment
- * Physical Location in "Zone"

Additional Requirements:

- ✓ The grant will serve a geographic area where less than 30% of the secondary students are already engaged in service-learning.
- ✓ School-based service-learning should become part of the curriculum in the participating secondary school(s);
OR,
- ✓ Community-based service-learning activities will engage no less than 90% of the secondary school students as part of the program.