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President Signs 2019 Defense, Labor, HHS, Education Appropriations Act (HR 6157)

Funding Package Includes Continued Investment in National Service and State Service Commissions, Increases for AmeriCorps and Senior Corps

WASHINGTON, DC, Sept. 28 – Today, the President has signed into law the \$855.1 billion FY 2019 appropriations bill (HR 6157) funding the departments of Defense, Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The measure includes \$178.1 billion for the departments of Labor, Education and Health and Human Services & Related Agencies. The bill also includes a continuing resolution funding other parts of the government through December 7, 2018.

In a major win for service programs and state service commissions, HR 6157 also includes \$1.083 billion for the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), an increase of \$19 million over FY 2018. Within this, the AmeriCorps State and National program will receive \$425 million, a \$13 million increase and Senior Corps will receive a \$6 million increase over FY 2018.

Below is an unofficial funding chart developed by ASC demonstrating the FY19 enacted budget amounts:



CNCS Funding Chart

	FY16 Enacted	FY17 Enacted	FY18 Enacted	FY19 President's Proposal	FY19 Enacted
State Commission Grants	\$16,038	\$16,538	\$17,538	\$0	\$17,538
AmeriCorps State and National	\$386,010	\$386,010	\$412,010	\$2,341	\$425,010
AmeriCorps VISTA	\$92,364	\$92,364	\$92,364	\$4,910	\$92,364
AmeriCorps NCCC	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$32,000	\$24,087	\$32,000
Senior Corps	\$202,117	\$202,117	\$202,117	\$351	\$208,117
Volunteer Generation Fund	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$5,400	\$0	\$5,400
Social Innovation Fund	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Innovation, Demonstration, Other	\$3,600	\$1,200	\$2,200	\$0	\$2,200
Evaluation	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
National Service Trust	\$220,000	\$206,842	\$206,842	\$0	\$206,842
Salaries and Expenses	\$81,737	\$81,737	\$83,737	\$87,389	\$83,737
Office of Inspector General	\$5,250	\$5,250	\$5,750	\$3,568	\$5,750
TOTAL	\$1,094,916	\$1,029,858	\$1,063,958	\$122,646	\$1,082,958



In a [September 28th White House statement](#) President Trump declared, “Today, I signed into law important legislation to rebuild our military, protect our communities, and deliver a better future for all Americans... America is being respected again – and our people are being protected again. I am pleased to have signed this bill into law.”

“We are thrilled to see HR 6157 pass in regular order and with such strong bipartisan support under Chairman Shelby’s, Senator Leahy’s, Chairman Frelinghuysen’s, and Representative Lowey’s leadership on Appropriations,” said Tom Branen, Chief Policy Officer of America’s Service Commissions. “It will provide critical funding and increased investment in vital service programs such as AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, the Volunteer Generation Fund, and the network of governor-appointed state service commissions.”

America’s Service Commissions (ASC) and its public policy arm, the States for Service (S4S) coalition, will conduct a thank you campaign in the coming weeks to thank members of Congress who worked on and supported this bill, as well as the President and White House for signing it.

For more information on CNCS and its programs AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and the Volunteer Generation Fund, visit <https://www.nationalservice.gov/>.

For more information on HR 6157, visit www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/6157.

About America’s Service Commissions

America’s Service Commissions (ASC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association representing and promoting the 52 state service commissions across the United States and territories with the mission to lead and elevate the state service network. State service commissions are governor-appointed public agencies or nonprofit organizations made up of more than 1,000 commissioners, private citizens leading the nation’s service movement and administering 80 percent of the federal AmeriCorps funds to address pressing community needs. Learn more at statecommissions.org.

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