



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**AMERICORPS WEEK**

**2019**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, service to others is a hallmark of the American character and throughout our history, people have stepped up to volunteer in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps provides opportunities for nearly 75,000 Americans to serve their country through an intensive commitment to service at nonprofits, schools, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps enriches the lives of its members, building habits that create engaged community members who are active participants in civic matters affecting their communities long after their service terms are completed; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps members encourage collaboration and partnerships, leveraging millions of volunteers in service and acquiring the support of business partners to increase the effectiveness of their initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, in North Carolina, more than 5,000 AmeriCorps members of various ages and backgrounds have helped to meet local needs at more than 800 locations by tutoring or mentoring children and youth, supporting veterans and military families, restoring the environment, and responding to disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, in exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members develop valuable work skills; earn money for continuing education; and strengthen the lives of their families, their communities, and our state as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, since AmeriCorps was founded in 1994, members in North Carolina have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$78 million; and

**WHEREAS**, in September 2019, the nation will mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of AmeriCorps, saluting the more than 1 million Americans who have taken the pledge to “Get Things Done” for America; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps Week is an opportunity to recognize the dedication and commitment of the AmeriCorps members and alumni who have chosen to serve their country through AmeriCorps and their community partners, and to encourage more Americans to follow their footsteps in service;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 10 – 16, 2019, as “**AMERICORPS WEEK**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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Roy Cooper  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this sixth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.