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Arizona Supreme Court AmeriCorps Program Joins Nationwide Effort to Recognize Impact of National Service

PHOENIX – The Arizona Supreme Court and County Adult Probation Departments join thousands of local leaders across the country in a nationwide bipartisan initiative to highlight the impact of national service in tackling local problems.

“National Service is a vital resource for Arizona,” said Jennifer Flannery, Program Specialist - APSS AmeriCorps with the Arizona Supreme Court. “AmeriCorps Members and Senior Corps volunteers make our counties better places to live. As the Program Specialist for the Adult Probation Support Services Program (APSS AmeriCorps Program) in Arizona, I am grateful for the dedication and sacrifice of these exceptional citizens, who are helping make Arizona safer, stronger and healthier.”

Nationally, AmeriCorps engages more than 75,000 Members in intensive service annually to serve through nonprofit, faith-based, and community organizations at 21,000 locations across the country. These Members help communities tackle pressing problems while mobilizing millions of volunteers for the organizations they serve.

National Service Recognition Day is a nationwide bipartisan effort to recognize the positive impact of national service, to thank those who serve, and to encourage more citizens to give back to their communities. This day is sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), with support from the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and Cities of Service.

As the federal agency for service and volunteering, CNCS annually engages millions of Americans in service at more than 50,000 locations through AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and other programs. National service participants address the most pressing challenges facing our counties and nation. From helping communities recover from natural disasters, fighting the opioid epidemic, restoring parks, strengthening public safety, to tutoring and mentoring disadvantaged students, national service members get things done.

“National Service show the best of the American spirit- people turning toward problems instead of away, working together to find community solutions,” said Flannery. “Today, as we thank national service members for their commitment, let us all pledge to do our part to strengthen our country through service and volunteering.”

In addition to the April 2 nationwide recognition events, APSS AmeriCorps Members will participate in Arizona's National Service Recognition Day with the Arizona Diamondbacks on April 9, 2019.

Given the challenges facing communities, county and city leaders are increasingly turning to national service as a cost-effective strategy to meet local needs. More than 85 AmeriCorps members and volunteers serve in Apache, Coconino, Maricopa, Navajo, Pima, Pinal, Yavapai and Yuma counties, providing vital support by connecting people to services, resources, and aid in the reduction of re-offending of those who are on probation.

For more information, including background and a list of participating county officials and mayors, visit NationalService.gov/RecognitionDay. For opportunities to interview AmeriCorps members supporting probation services in Arizona, contact Jennifer Flannery at jflannery@courts.az.gov or 602-452-3177.

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