

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER EIGHTY-FOUR

WHEREAS, volunteerism and service is an integral part to Iowa's future and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Iowans are dedicated to making a difference in both their local communities and throughout the country through service and volunteering as demonstrated by the more than 79.8 million hours volunteered in 2012; and

WHEREAS, applications from individuals seeking to participate in national service programs far exceed the number of available positions and by creating new partnerships that expand national service opportunities in areas aligned with agency missions, volunteers can both impact those they serve and develop skills that will enable the volunteers to help prepare them for long-term careers and build a pipeline to employment; and

WHEREAS, the demand for young people to serve our country is strong.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, declare that volunteerism is an integral part to Iowa's future and well-being. I hereby order the creation of the Governor's Council on National Service in Iowa ("Council").

- 1. **Purpose**: The Council shall make recommendations on how to expand volunteer opportunities and national service for Iowans both here in Iowa and across the country.
- 2. **Organization**: The Council shall be composed of members appointed by the Governor. Each member will serve at the pleasure of the Governor without compensation and in an advisory capacity. The Governor shall select the chair and co-chair from the council members.
- 3. **Council**: Members of the Council shall include the following members appointed by the Governor:
 - a. Executive Director of the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service
 - b. Representatives from private businesses
 - c. Representatives from private foundations or charities
 - d. Representatives from State Government
 - e. Representatives from local government
 - f. Representatives from preschool, elementary, secondary, or post-secondary education
 - g. Representatives of private employers who hire job candidates with Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) skills
 - h. Representatives from the faith community
 - i. A representative from the Corporation for National and Community Service
 - j. Any other individuals that the Governor may appoint.
- 4. Goals: The Council shall have the following objectives:

- a. Identify existing and new policies or practices that support the expansion of national service opportunities in Iowa; and
- b. Facilitate and identify opportunities for interagency agreements between the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service and other State departments, local governments, school district or other subdivisions of the State to support the expansion of national service in Iowa and help agencies meet their mission efficiently and effectively; and
- c. Develop new public/private partnerships to support the expansion of national service in Iowa and help agencies meet their mission; and
- d. Use technology to facilitate the certification of qualified nonprofits, public agencies, and social enterprises to create national service opportunities, recruit and retain service members; and
- e. Reach other goals and objectives as requested by the Office of the Governor.

The Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service shall provide staff support to the Council, as needed, to enable the Council to fulfill its responsibilities. The Council's meeting shall be open pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 21.

All agencies, departments and boards of the State of Iowa shall cooperate fully with the Council. The Council may seek the expertise and services of individuals and entities outside its membership for research, advice and other needs, as required to accomplish its mission. The Council shall report its preliminary findings and make them available to the public no later than July 1, 2014. The Council shall report its final recommendations and findings no later than February 1, 2015 and dissolve on February 1, 2015 or upon the date of completion of the work described herein, whichever is sooner.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 17TH DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

MATT SCHULTZ SECRETARY OF STATE