

COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS AND NATIONAL SERVICE: Changing Lives through Relationships

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Young people thrive when caring adults are in schools, building the relationships that empower them to stay in school and succeed in life. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) works with Communities In Schools (CIS) to build a network of support to help low-income youth overcome the adult-sized challenges they face.

Collaboration with CNCS allows CIS to deepen our commitment to supporting these kids, serving more students with a wider variety of options.

CNCS provides:



Caring Adults: AmeriCorps members build the capacity of CIS affiliates, allowing for more students to be case-managed and more critical relationships to form, while increasing the intensity and quality of services provided.

Partnership: CNCS establishes public-private partnerships that leverage federal funds to raise private dollars, forming and expanding sustainable nonprofits.

Eliminating CNCS would drastically reduce the capacity of CIS and other youth serving organizations.

The President's budget for fiscal year 2018 proposed the elimination of CNCS.

Our evidence-based model requires adherence to a strict standard of implementation. CNCS and AmeriCorps members help CIS affiliates build and maintain the necessary capacity to meet this standard.

Eliminating CNCS would:

- impact nearly 33,350 students served by CIS affiliates;
- reduce the budget of CIS affiliates nationwide by an estimated \$2 million; and
- reduce the capacity of CIS by an estimated 500,000 volunteer hours

Without CNCS, many CIS affiliates would be forced to:

- Reduce the number of case-managed students;
- Eliminate certain initiatives entirely, like service projects or family engagement activities; and/or
- Spend less time mentoring and tutoring case-management of students.

Due to the important capacity building work of CNCS with CIS and other organizations nationwide, maintaining the current level of funding at \$1.09 billion is critical to continue supporting at-risk students for success.

About Communities In Schools

Communities In Schools works inside public and charter schools full-time, building relationships with students to empower them to stay in school and succeed in life. Working directly in more than 2,300 schools in 25 states and the District of Columbia, Communities In Schools serves nearly 1.5 million students every year.