

“(3) the programs referred to in subsection (a) are conducted simultaneously in competition with each other in the same immediate area of the United States only when the population of eligible participants in that area is sufficient to justify the simultaneous conduct of such programs in that area.”

§ 12613. National service program

(a) In general

Under the national service program component of the National Civilian Community Corps Program authorized by section 12612(a) of this title, eligible young people shall work in teams on National Civilian Community Corps projects.

(b) Eligible participants

A person shall be eligible for selection for the national service program if the person—

(1) is, or will be, at least 18 years of age on or before December 31 of the calendar year in which the individual enrolls in the program, but is not more than 24 years of age as of the date the individual begins participating in the program; and

(2) is a high school graduate or has not received a high school diploma or its equivalent.

(c) Diverse backgrounds of participants

In selecting persons for the national service program, the Director shall endeavor to ensure that participants are from economically, geographically, and ethnically diverse backgrounds. The Director shall take appropriate steps, including through outreach and recruitment activities, to increase the percentage of participants in the program who are disadvantaged youth to 50 percent of all participants by year 2012. The Director shall report to the authorizing committees biennially on such steps, any challenges faced, and the annual participation rates of disadvantaged youth in the program.

(d) Period of participation

Persons desiring to participate in the national service program shall enter into an agreement with the Director to participate in the Corps for a period of not less than nine months and not more than one year, as specified by the Director, and may renew the agreement for not more than one additional such period.

(Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 153, formerly § 195B, as added Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title X, § 1092(a)(1), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2523; renumbered § 153 and amended Pub. L. 103-82, title I, § 104(b), (e)(2)(A), Sept. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 840, 846; Pub. L. 111-13, title I, § 1503, Apr. 21, 2009, 123 Stat. 1521.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 12653b of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 103-82, § 104(b).

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 12613, Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 162, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3158, related to training program in skills to be employed in Peace Corps or VISTA, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 103-82, § 104(a).

AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-13, § 1503(1), substituted “National Civilian Community Corps Program” for “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and “on National Civilian Community Corps” for “on Civilian Community Corps”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 111-13, § 1503(2), added par. (1) and struck out former par. (1) which read as follows: “is at least 16 and not more than 24 years of age; and”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 111-13, § 1503(3), substituted “backgrounds” for “backrounds” in heading and inserted at end “The Director shall take appropriate steps, including through outreach and recruitment activities, to increase the percentage of participants in the program who are disadvantaged youth to 50 percent of all participants by year 2012. The Director shall report to the authorizing committees biennially on such steps, any challenges faced, and the annual participation rates of disadvantaged youth in the program.”

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 111-13, § 1503(4), (5), redesignated subsec. (e) as (d) and struck out former subsec. (d). Text of former subsec. (d) read as follows: “To the extent practicable, at least 50 percent of the participants in the national service program shall be economically disadvantaged youths.”

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-82, § 104(e)(2)(A), substituted “section 12612(a)” for “section 12653a(a)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-13 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as a note under section 4950 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-82 effective Oct. 1, 1993, see section 123 of Pub. L. 103-82, set out as a note under section 1701 of Title 16, Conservation.

§ 12614. Summer national service program

(a) In general

Under the summer national service program of the National Civilian Community Corps Program authorized by section 12612(a) of this title, a diverse group of youth aged 14 through 18 years who are from urban or rural areas shall work in teams on National Civilian Community Corps projects.

(b) Necessary participants

To the extent practicable, at least 50 percent of the participants in the summer national service program shall be from economically and ethnically diverse backgrounds, including youth who are in foster care.

(c) Seasonal program

The training and service of Corps members under the summer national service program in each year shall be conducted after April 30 and before October 1 of that year.

(Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 154, formerly § 195C, as added Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title X, § 1092(a)(1), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2524; renumbered § 154 and amended Pub. L. 103-82, title I, § 104(b), (e)(2)(B), Sept. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 840, 847; Pub. L. 111-13, title I, § 1504, Apr. 21, 2009, 123 Stat. 1522.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 12653c of this title prior to renumbering by Pub. L. 103-82, § 104(b).

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 12614, Pub. L. 101-610, title I, § 163, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3158; Pub. L. 102-384, § 7(b), Oct. 5, 1992, 106 Stat. 1456, related to higher education benefits for those selected for Peace Corps or VISTA demonstration programs, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 103-82, § 104(a).

AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-13, § 1504(1), substituted “National Civilian Community Corps Program” for

“Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and “on National Civilian Community Corps” for “on Civilian Community Corps”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 111-13, §1504(2), substituted “shall be from economically and ethnically diverse backgrounds, including youth who are in foster care.” for “shall be economically disadvantaged youths.”

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-82, §104(e)(2)(B), substituted “section 12612(a)” for “section 12653a(a)”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-13 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 6101(a) of Pub. L. 111-13, set out as a note under section 4950 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-82 effective Oct. 1, 1993, see section 123 of Pub. L. 103-82, set out as a note under section 1701 of Title 16, Conservation.

§ 12615. National Civilian Community Corps

(a) Director

Upon the establishment of the National Civilian Community Corps Program, the National Civilian Community Corps shall be under the direction of the Director appointed pursuant to section 12619(c)(1) of this title.

(b) Membership in National Civilian Community Corps

(1) Participants to be members

Persons selected to participate in the national service program or the summer national service program components of the Program shall become members of the National Civilian Community Corps.

(2) Selection of members

The Director or the Director’s designee shall select individuals for membership in the Corps.

(3) Application for membership

To be selected to become a Corps member an individual shall submit an application to the Director or to any other office as the Director may designate, at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director shall require. At a minimum, the application shall contain information about the work experience of the applicant and sufficient information to enable the Director, or the campus director of the appropriate campus, to determine whether selection of the applicant for membership in the Corps is appropriate.

(4) Team leaders

(A) In general

The Director may select individuals with prior supervisory or service experience to be team leaders within units in the National Civilian Community Corps, to perform service that includes leading and supervising teams of Corps members. Each team leader shall be selected without regard to the age limitation under section 12613(b) of this title.

(B) Rights and benefits

A team leader shall be provided the same rights and benefits applicable to other Corps members, except that the Director may increase the limitation on the amount of the

living allowance under section 12618(b) of this title by not more than 10 percent for a team leader.

(c) Organization of Corps into units

(1) Units

The Corps shall be divided into permanent units. Each Corps member shall be assigned to a unit.

(2) Unit leaders

The leader of each unit shall be selected from among persons in the permanent cadre established pursuant to section 12619(c)(2) of this title. The designated leader shall accompany the unit throughout the period of agreed service of the members of the unit.

(d) Campuses

(1) Units to be assigned to campuses

The units of the Corps shall be grouped together as appropriate in campuses for operational, support, and boarding purposes. The Corps campus for a unit shall be in a facility or central location established as the operational headquarters and boarding place for the unit. Corps members may be housed in the campuses.

(2) Campus director

There shall be a campus director for each campus. The campus director is the head of the campus.

(3) Eligible site for campus

A campus shall be cost effective and may, upon the completion of a feasibility study, be located in a facility referred to in section 12622(c) of this title.

(e) Distribution of units and campuses

The Director shall ensure that the Corps units and campuses are cost effective and are distributed in urban areas and rural areas such that each Corps unit in a region can be easily deployed for disaster and emergency response to such region.

(f) Standards of conduct

(1) In general

The campus director of each campus shall establish and enforce standards of conduct to promote proper moral and disciplinary conditions in the campus.

(2) Sanctions

Under procedures prescribed by the Director, the campus director of a campus may—

(A) transfer a member of the Corps in that campus to another unit or campus if the campus director determines that the retention of the member in the member’s unit or in the campus director’s campus will jeopardize the enforcement of the standards or diminish the opportunities of other Corps members in that unit or campus, as the case may be; or

(B) dismiss a member of the Corps from the Corps if the campus director determines that retention of the member in the Corps will jeopardize the enforcement of the standards or diminish the opportunities of other Corps members.