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**Cal Poly Receives $1.1 Million AmeriCorps Grant for Central Coast Volunteer Corps**

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The Community Center at Cal Poly was awarded a three-year $1.1 million AmeriCorps grant from California’s Volunteer Commission to fund the Central Coast Volunteer Corps.

The grant provides program funding at $389,350 per year for three years. The award allows an additional six agencies to participate in the program. Currently 29 inter-generational AmeriCorps members, ranging in age from 19-62, serve as volunteer coordinators at twenty county non-profit and public service agencies including:

- ALPHA
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Camp Fire
- CASA
- City of Atascadero
- El Camino Homeless Organization
- Family Care Network
- Food Bank
- Good Samaritan Shelter
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hospice of San Luis Obispo County
- Maxine Lewis Memorial Homeless Shelter
- Morro Bay Natural History Museum
- Nature Corps
- San Luis Obispo Police Department
- Sexual Assault Recovery and Prevention Center
- Transitions Mental Health Association
- United Cerebral Palsy
- YMCA

AmeriCorps was created in 1993 under the Clinton Administration through the National and Community Trust Act, to create a nationwide corps of citizens dedicated to national service.

For more information about Cal Poly’s Community Center, the AmeriCorps grant or the Central Coast Volunteer Corps, contact Stephan Lamb at slamb@calpoly.edu.

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