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NATIONAL DAYS OF SERVICE NETWORKING SESSION

1. How many AmeriCorps Programs in your group currently participate in two or more National Service Days each year?

5 agencies already involved in 2 or more days.
2. Brainstorm possible projects that could be implemented on your group's National Service Day that could easily be implemented by large and small AmeriCorps Programs across the state.
 - Can link with other dates – i.e., be part of Global Youth Day.
 - Can do it on a date that is close to the date, but still call it Make A Difference Day
3. What strategies would you use to promote your event in your local community to your key partners, and to the state/nation?
 - Join an already established event
 - partner with other agencies
 - Utilize the corporation's website for this
 - Possible Projects: working with schools; environmental; community clean-ups (outside and inside)
 - Use these days to promote event and your program (flyer and tables at events i.e., hands on school project 800 volunteers)
 - Set dates up front in your calendar
 - Focus during orientation, whether you have an event or not
 - Have someone responsible for PR
4. What public and/or private partners would be critical to engage to ensure the success of your event? How would you engage them?
 - Could use training opportunities for members, partners and volunteers
 - Junior League
 - Home Depot
 - Habitat for Humanity
 - Colleges
 - Public schools – community service
 - Churches/faith-based organizations
5. Would your event require the use of additional volunteer resources? If so, what organizations would you reach out to in order to meet those needs?
Answered Above

6. Provide a rough budget for your event including a total projected cost?
 - Inside building cleanup, downtown development project – Cortland sweep out clean & paint so they can be turned into studio space
 - Supplies – Broome, dustpans, mops, paint, brushes, trash bags, gloves, radio
 - Food
 - Entertainment
 - Gifts/education
 - Donations: paints; Home Depot, TOPS (Food)
 - Identify another group to get the supplies
7. Can you engage VISTA, Learn & Serve America and/or SeniorCorps Projects in your event? If so, how?
 - Invite them – put it on the calendar
8. What technical assistance or resources would you need for your event that the State Commission could provide?
 - Banners
 - Website
 - Mini-grants
 - Guiding us to appropriate partners (networking)
9. How would you complete an evaluation of your National Service Day event?
 - Survey volunteers