

AmeriCARES members complete year of service

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Ten AmeriCARES members who served in the AmeriCARES program sponsored by the Clinch-Powell and Appalachian Northeast Tennessee RC&D Councils were honored for their year of service at a “graduation” ceremony on Tuesday, July 13 at the General Morgan Inn in Greeneville.

During the past year, the AmeriCorps members have worked in public schools in Washington, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, Greene, Grainger, Hancock, Hawkins, Union and Claiborne counties. The members work with elementary and middle school students involving them in service-learning. Local students involved in the program have learned that they can address and solve local community problems through their own initiative and hard work.

AmeriCARES’ graduates were among 19,000 AmeriCorps members who helped solve problems and strengthen communities through 71 national service projects across Tennessee. Members served through local non-profits, schools, and other groups. AmeriCorps is administered by the Corporation for National Service.

The AmeriCARES program is currently recruiting for its fourth year which will begin in August. Anyone interested in becoming an AmeriCorps member or volunteering for the program should contact Trena Brown at (423) 828-5927 for information.