



# 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

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*Mobilizing Nebraskans to Strengthen their Communities through Volunteering, Collaboration, and National Service Programs*

# ServeNebraska

## History

ServeNebraska – the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission was established in 1994 as the Nebraska Commission for National & Community Service by a Governor’s Executive Order to “engage the idealism and energy of Nebraskans to meet the most critical needs of our communities.” In fulfilling this charge, we encourage and facilitate involvement by people of all ages and all walks of life to make the good life in Nebraska even better.

A diverse bipartisan Commission appointed by the Governor provides leadership and ensures that varied interests and perspectives are represented. Learn about becoming a Commissioner at [http://serve.nebraska.gov/about/about\\_commissioners\\_staff.htm](http://serve.nebraska.gov/about/about_commissioners_staff.htm).

## Mission

***Mobilizing Nebraskans to strengthen their communities through volunteering, collaboration, and national service programs.***

This simple statement captures the essence of the Commission’s work and reinforces our primary role of providing leadership and resources to support local service and volunteerism initiatives that meet community needs.

As the state service commission, ServeNebraska directs AmeriCorps national service programs, disability inclusion initiatives, professional development/training opportunities, volunteer service recognition, and capacity building efforts that enhance effectiveness and efficiency. ServeNebraska facilitates collaboration with other agencies, foundations, community organizations and state, local and tribal governments; coordinates the sharing of resources; provides leadership in volunteerism and service; and ensures the quality of national service member and beneficiary experiences. ServeNebraska is the only state entity in Nebraska focused on volunteerism and national service.





# AmeriCorps

## AmeriCorps in Nebraska addresses needs of local communities through service

ServeNebraska cultivates, coordinates, and administers the efforts of organizations and individuals to improve the quality of life for Nebraskans through AmeriCorps. 2011-2012 was an exemplary year.



## By the Numbers

**13** Nebraska community-based organizations operating AmeriCorps programs

**287** Dedicated individuals serving as AmeriCorps members in Nebraska

**42** Nebraska counties served by an AmeriCorps member

Adams, Blaine, Buffalo, Box Butte, Cass, Colfax, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Dodge, Douglas, Franklin, Gage, Garden, Garfield, Gosper, Hall, Harlan, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Lancaster, Lincoln, Loup, Madison, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Richardson, Saline, Saunders, Scottsbluff, Seward, Sheridan, Stanton, Washington, Valley, Wayne, York

**27,582** Nebraskans whose quality of life was improved by an AmeriCorps member

**4,522** Volunteers recruited & managed by AmeriCorps members to meet urgent community needs

**\$1.8 M** Federal funds invested in Nebraska AmeriCorps programs to meet community needs

**\$1.6 M** Resources provided by Nebraska AmeriCorps programs to meet community needs



## 2011-2012 Nebraska AmeriCorps Programs

<b><u>Organization</u></b>	<b><u>AmeriCorps Program</u></b>	<b><u>Grant Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Community Impact</u></b>
<b>Blue Valley Community Action</b> - Fairbury	BVCA AmeriCorps	\$66,500	Services for youth in southeastern Nebraska
<b>Center for People in Need</b> - Lincoln	PROH AmeriCorps	\$226,100	Basic needs, computer literacy, employment readiness & assistance for low-income individuals & families
<b>Center for Rural Affairs</b> - Lyons, Lewellen	Growing Foods for Health & the Environment AmeriCorps	\$39,900	Community development through microenterprise and community gardening
<b>City of Lincoln</b> - Lincoln	ECHO AmeriCorps	\$376,992	Education and childhood obesity services to K-12 low-income & New American children and their families
<b>Goodwill Industries</b> - Omaha	YouthBuild Omaha AmeriCorps	\$64,683	Low-income housing construction by AmeriCorps members who secure their GED during the course of the year
<b>Hastings Literacy Program</b> - Hastings	Hastings Literacy Program AmeriCorps	\$49,590	Adult literacy & English Language Learner instruction to adults and out-of-school enrichment for youth
<b>HUB Central Access Point for Youth</b> - Lincoln	HUB AmeriCorps	\$81,007	Community service provided by youth enrolled as AmeriCorps members who will earn their GED during their year of service
<b>Kearney Area Community Foundation</b> - Kearney	Rural Corps of South Central Nebraska	\$96,915	Academic enrichment for youth and additional services enhancing the volunteer capacity of the community
<b>Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska</b> - Statewide	LFS AmeriCorps	\$358,604	Varied life-skills & employment readiness services to low-income, veterans and New American families
<b>Metropolitan Community College</b> - Omaha	MCC AmeriCorps	\$111,694	Education, health information, energy efficiency, and veteran's services for economically disadvantaged individuals.
<b>Nebraska State Probation</b> - Statewide	RISE AmeriCorps	\$166,025	Employment and job skill development to probationers in rural & frontier Nebraska
<b>University of Nebraska Lincoln</b> - Statewide	Campus Compact Service Scholars AmeriCorps	\$69,929	Addressing the educational and economic opportunity needs of low-income families while increasing the ethic of service on college campuses
<b>University of Nebraska Medical Center Munroe Meyer Institute</b> - Statewide	MMI AmeriCorps	\$184,187	Services provided by and for individuals with a wide spectrum of behavioral and physical disabilities



## Snapshots of AmeriCorps Service



Center for Rural Affairs AmeriCorps member Amy Radding grew up outside of Boston, Massachusetts. While majoring in Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology at Yale University, she studied different aspects of food in almost every class, catered events, and worked as a prep cook in a restaurant. As she humorously states, after graduation she did the perfectly expected, reasonable thing; she moved to a town of 850 in rural Nebraska to serve in AmeriCorps. As an AmeriCorps member, Amy built local community food systems. She created and ran a new farmers market, set-up community gardens and trained gardeners. She additionally linked local growers with school cafeterias thereby helping students' access fresh, local, healthy affordable food. Especially noteworthy is Amy's service aiding the Santee Sioux Nation in remote northeast Nebraska. It became clear that setting up community gardens and a farmers market was only going to be part of the answer. Amy was integral in developing "Sioux Chef", a program comprised of cooking demonstrations, recipe development, and meal sharing. The end result assures that access to fresh, healthy, local food is a sustainable future in the tribal headquarters of Santee.

Lutheran Family Services AmeriCorps members Travis Lavender and Jeff Spiehs, in service at inCommon Community Development, were instrumental in assisting inCommon Community Development increase service to the community and advance the creation of the "Park Ave Commons." The Park Ave Commons provides immediate, accessible case work and referral service to area residents in order to prevent homelessness and provide aid in other crisis situations. It is a partnership with the University of Nebraska Omaha School of Social Work. Travis, Jeff Spiehs and their colleagues mobilized two online voting campaigns. Through State Farm's Cause and Effect online campaign, \$25,000 was won. Later in the year \$50,000 was won as inCommon was the national winner in Tom's of Maine 50 States of Good. Voting for both campaigns was conducted via Facebook.



Nebraska State Probation RISE Specialist Heather Millard, an AmeriCorps member in service with the Rural Improvement for Schooling & Employment (RISE) AmeriCorps program in South Sioux City, mobilized the "Nebraska Stand for the Silent" anti-bullying initiative. In her service, she provided educational and employment aid to probationers helping them to avoid recidivism. Heather noticed that many of those she helped had a history of bullying -- either as perpetrators or as victims. This observation, combined with her personal passion for the issue, moved her to action. Stand for the Silent Nebraska was born with the goal to mobilize all school-aged Nebraska youth to make a stand against bullying. More than 60,000 Nebraska youth made a personal pledge to stand-up against bullying.

## ServeNebraska InterCorps Council (ICC)

The ServeNebraska InterCorps Council is a representative group composed of AmeriCorps members and other national service participants in service in Nebraska. InterCorps Council Members provide leadership in connecting and coordinating programs; increasing the awareness of the impact of National Service; effective outreach, community-wide service projects, civic engagement, promoting leadership skills and an ethic of service; and providing a forum for service members to voice collective opinions and ideas. Objectives of the ICC:

- Conduct outreach presentations on AmeriCorps and national service in partnership with ServeNebraska commissioners
- Provide key leadership roles in at least one service project for the year
- Serve as ambassadors with elected officials and public leaders
- Promote disability inclusion within national service programs
- Coordinate, promote and participate in days of service and national service events



Legislative visits at the Nebraska State Capitol are an important part of leadership development of the ICC

## National Days of Service



AmeriCorps representatives, accept the 2012 AmeriCorps Week Proclamation from Governor Dave Heineman



### AMERICORPS WEEK (March 10-18)

The theme "AmeriCorps Works" focused on how AmeriCorps members across Nebraska make a powerful difference in the communities they serve and in their own lives. Each year during AmeriCorps Week, we recognize the commitment of AmeriCorps members and alums and highlight the extraordinary value AmeriCorps brings to our nation.

## National Days of Service



### GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY (April 20-22)

For the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, ServeNebraska successfully initiated Global Youth Service Day activities as a Nebraska lead agency for Youth Service America through funding from the State Farm Foundation, and the Corporation for National & Community Service.

A total of **\$3,675** in 2012 Global Youth Service Day Mini-Grant funding was awarded to applicants by ServeNebraska in two project areas: Youth Service (**\$2,200**) and Disability Youth Service (**\$1,475**).

Projects awarded funding: North Central Development Center, Ainsworth; Asian Community & Cultural Center Youth Program, Lincoln; Beatrice Humane Society, Beatrice; City of Lincoln Parks & Recreation, F Street Community Center, Lincoln; City Sprouts, Omaha; City Impact, Lincoln; Crisis Center for Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault, Cedar Bluffs; Little Priest Tribal College, Winnebago; Peru State College, Peru; United Methodist Ministries, Omaha; Willard Community Center, Lincoln; Blue Valley Community Partnership, Fairbury; Connect Columbus, Columbus; Hart of the Matter, Omaha; Prescott Elementary School, Lincoln; and Valley Alternative Learning Transitioning School, Gering.



### STAND FOR THE SILENT (April 20)

Through the leadership of the ServeNebraska InterCorps Council and support & commitment of entities throughout the state, April 20, 2012 marks the date that 61,709 Nebraska citizens participated in taking the pledge to make a personal stand against bullying and released balloons marking this commitment.



A project of the Nebraska InterCorps Council  
In conjunction with Global Youth Service Day



## National Days of Service



### JOIN HANDS DAY (May 5)

The ServeNebraska InterCorps Council (ICC) coordinated the "Cornhusker Community Book Drive" under the leadership of ICC member Charles Lieske (RISE AmeriCorps member) for Join Hands Day from April 1 through May 5. The statewide effort of collecting new and used books helped recognize the importance of literacy in our communities and encouraged children and adults to continue to read throughout the summer. AmeriCorps members set up 31 donation sites throughout the State of Nebraska. Volunteers sorted and distributed over 5,000 books.



A Join Hands Day project of the Nebraska InterCorps Council



### 9/11 DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE (September 11)

ServeNebraska proudly provided leadership and support in honoring the legacy of 9/11 and joined forces with the Corporation for National and Community Service. Lutheran Family Services, At-Ease Program was awarded \$745 to engage 22 counties in Nebraska to ensure that 9/11 is never viewed as just another day and is instead observed with appropriate reflection, giving and fellowship.



# Disability Inclusion



## Disability Inclusion Film Series (October/November 2012)

In 2012, ServeNebraska partnered with Nebraska Vocational Rehabilitation to provide a disability film series for AmeriCorps programs.

Through this non-traditional learning opportunity, and with the expertise of Don Crouch, Program Director with Nebraska Vocational Rehabilitation, participants learned the unique aspects of the disabilities focused on in the film series. Guided discussion explored the following:

- **Temple Grandin** – a woman who refused to let her disorder limit her true potential. Adapted from Grandin's own writings, the film allows the audience to experience the world much like she does while recounting her colorful life and remarkable achievements from childhood to adulthood.
- **Music Within** – a soldier loses his hearing and returns home disabled. Frustrated when others inform him that he will never achieve his dreams due to the fact that he is disabled; the determined veteran makes it his mission to prove them wrong.
- **A Beautiful Mind** – John Forbes Nash Jr. was a brilliant economist -- when his mind was clear. But life changed forever with the revelation that he was schizophrenic, although his brilliance persisted amidst the anguish his mental illness caused for him and his wife.
- **Learning Disabilities** – an educational film demonstrating the effective learning techniques of individuals with learning disabilities and how simple pre-planning in the classroom can help a person overcome anxiety when participating in class discussion.



# Celebrating the Contribution of Volunteers

The volunteer recognition from state leaders serves to inspire Nebraskans by honoring amazing individuals, organizations, and companies who are making an impact in their local communities through volunteering and service.

*"Nebraskans are known for giving of themselves and that quality is part of what makes our state such a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family."* –Governor Dave Heineman

## Governor's Points of Light Award Honorees

The Governor's Points of Light Awards are presented quarterly at a special ceremony at the State Capitol to recognize Nebraska volunteers who give their time, talent and energy to help Nebraskans build stronger communities. Awards are presented to a Youth, Adult, or Group committed to service. Points of Light recipients reflect the fulfillment of one or more of the following criteria for Nebraska's communities: Community Needs & Solutions, Community Mobilization, Innovation, Building Partnerships & Collaboration, Impact and Ongoing Involvement. ServeNebraska received a total of 70 nominations for the Governor's Points of Light award in 2012.

### 2012 Award Honorees:

#### **February 2012**

Adult **Roger Fisher, DDS, Lincoln**

Youth **Mikayla Flott, Omaha**

Group **Union College, Project Impact, Lincoln**

#### **May 2012**

Adult **Kristina Churchill, Blair**

Youth **Nicki Ahlschwede, Lincoln**

Group **Life-Link Nebraska, Scottsbluff**

#### **August 2012**

Adult **Pat & Craig Enenbach, Omaha**

Youth **Alexandra Court Baxter, Omaha**

Group **Sunny "D's" HIV/AIDS Peer Educators, Hastings**

#### **November 2012**

Adult **Kay Mayberry, Omaha**

Youth **Ashley Spurlock, Omaha**

Group **Creighton University's Magis Clinic, Omaha**



**Nicki Ahlschwede, May 2012 Youth Honoree**  
*Nicki serves as the leader of the Lincoln Youth Volunteers, a group of high school students who plan and develop their own volunteer projects to address various needs within the community*

## First Lady's Outstanding Community Service Award Honorees

Nebraska's First Lady Sally Ganem is the former principal of Howard Elementary School in Fremont, Nebraska. Given her lifelong interest and passion for education, the First Lady's Outstanding Community Service Awards are focused on her commitment to learning. Awards honor distinguished community service. The First Lady's Outstanding Community Service Awards are presented annually at a special spring luncheon in recognition of distinguished volunteer service in eleven categories.

### 2012 Award Honorees:

*Lifetime Achievement in Volunteer Service – **Allen J. Beerman, Lincoln***

*Outstanding Volunteer of the Year – **Patrick Boeshart, South Sioux City***

*Outstanding Volunteer Group of the Year – **Heartland Council of Pioneers, Omaha***

*National Service Award – **Roselaine Shores, Wymore**  
(Foster Grandparent Volunteer, Blue Valley Community Action)*

*Debra Hartmann Award – Professional Commitment to Service  
– **Pat O'Hanlon, Omaha** (One World Community Health Center)*

*Outstanding Community Service-Learning Program  
– **Hastings College Teacher Education, "Extra Mile Walk"***

*Outstanding School Volunteer Program – **University of Nebraska Kearney, Students in Free Enterprise***

*Outstanding Community Partnership in Education – **Food for Thought Project Partners, Omaha***

*Outstanding Business Support for Education – **Walmart Logistics Distribution Center–7018 Associates, North Platte***

*Outstanding Student Leader – **Hope Edwards, Lincoln***

*Outstanding Community Service Project – **Kearney Tackles Cancer Campaign, Kearney***



90-year old Foster Grandparent, **Rosie Shores** accepts National Service Award from First Lady Sally Ganem

# Training & Technical Assistance

ServeNebraska is dedicated to supporting the professional and programmatic development of Nebraska's national and community service personnel and their initiatives. Nebraska's national service portfolio includes a diverse range of program and member skill sets, experiences and educational achievement. AmeriCorps members have varying plans and ambitions beyond their national service. ServeNebraska's Training and Technical Assistance Programming provides high quality professional development to national service program members and others involved in community and national service.

## **AmeriCorps Program Leader Launch (August)**

ServeNebraska staff introduced 30 AmeriCorps program leaders to new program developments prior to the start of the program year. The Launch provided an opportunity for leaders to learn about national service and the work of ServeNebraska; increase awareness of laws, rules, regulations and expectations; gain insight into how to motivate and inspire AmeriCorps members', and participate in Q & A to become aware of resources to support efforts throughout the service year. Additionally the one-day training allowed program staff to network with other programs and ServeNebraska commissioners and staff.

## **Statewide AmeriCorps Conference Kickoff (October)**

Nebraska First Lady and ServeNebraska Honorary Chair Sally Ganem kicked off the event by leading AmeriCorps members in the AmeriCorps Service Pledge. The all-day training provided an opportunity for AmeriCorps members from programs across the state to gather, learn and network. ServeNebraska staff led members through an introduction to national service and expectations of the service year.



Professional development training sessions were held throughout the day focusing on areas identified in the annual online needs assessment. Trainings included: *Establishing a Professional Presence* (Lesia Decker, Best Care Employee Assistance Program), *Each of Us Are Leaders* (Mike Smith, Founder of The BAY/Skate for Change), and *Building a Community of One* (Carlos Barcenas, Multicultural Coalition-Grand Island). AmeriCorps member teams worked together in small groups to develop a pitch for their programs that were presented to their peers. The activity provided an opportunity for each member to have a better understanding of the AmeriCorps programs across the state and the impact their service would have on local communities.



A Journal was developed and provided for AmeriCorps members to use during their year of service to record their personal reflections of their service year in preparation for developing a creative project for the Symposium – Celebration of Service at the close of the service year.



### **Governor's Conference on Rural Development (April)**

ServeNebraska partnered with the Nebraska Rural Development Commission and Department of Economic Development to present the Governor's Conference on Rural Development, "Partnering for Progress" in North Platte. The Conference's three session tracks – Strengthening Communities, Youth Entrepreneurship, and ServeNebraska's Volunteerism and Community Engagement, provided participants with strategies, resources and creative ideas to build leadership, community and economic development capacity in rural Nebraska in order to create a more sustainable state. The conference allowed ServeNebraska to reach a wider audience in central and western Nebraska, providing resources on volunteerism and national service.

### **Symposium – Celebration of Service (May)**

The Symposium is a new forum for ServeNebraska and AmeriCorps members to showcase their service stories through creative artistry inspired by service experiences. It provides an opportunity for AmeriCorps members across the state to share the successes and challenges of their service. Presentations focused on professional development provide AmeriCorps members with ideas and resources for life after AmeriCorps.



*AmeriCorps member quote ~"I really enjoyed the Symposium. I felt like the ServeNebraska staff did a great job in putting together a day of true appreciation and helpful presenters and topics that truly showed that service work here in Nebraska is important and appreciated by not only the recipients but also by those who oversee the programs in the state. Thank you for being supportive of all members!"*

## **TrainingFocus**

### **Training / TA / Disability Inclusion (new resource introduced in November 2012)**

ServeNebraska introduced a new monthly training resource in 2012 called TrainingFocus. It is meant to be a "shared" resource to support the professional and programmatic development of Nebraska's national and community service personnel and their initiatives. Each month, the TrainingFocus provides tips, links, training exercises, updates and upcoming events that are focused on professional development, technical assistance, disability inclusion and veteran's issues. The training offerings referenced in the TrainingFocus can be delivered individually or in a group.

# Let's Build Nebraska

**Launched June 2012**

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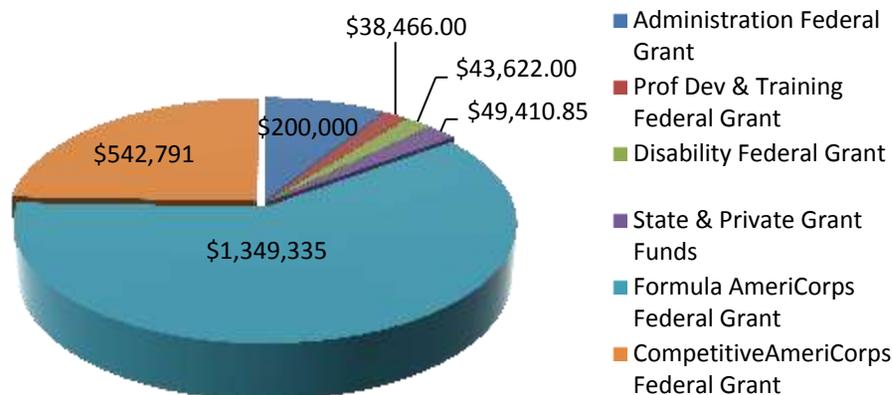
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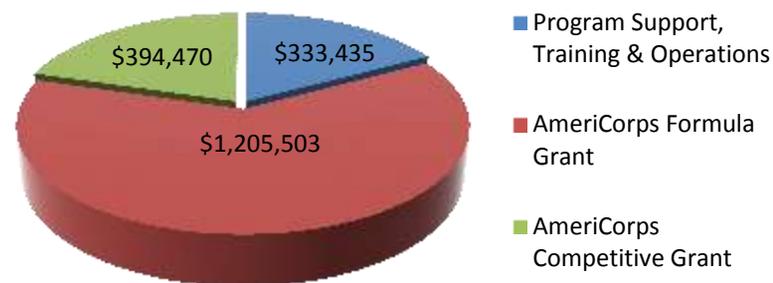
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ServeNebraska provided oversight and accountability for \$2,223,625.00 in 2012.

## 2012 ServeNebraska Revenues



## 2012 ServeNebraska Expenditures



## Developing Resources to Support ServeNebraska

The Nebraska Volunteer Foundation Fund was established to provide financial resources to support the mission and programs of ServeNebraska – the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission and to advance volunteerism, community and national service among Nebraskans. As an affiliated fund of the Nebraska Community Foundation, all contributions to the Nebraska Volunteer Foundation Fund are tax-deductible.



During 2012, the Foundation Fund Advisory Committee focused on producing and securing airtime for new ServeNebraska “Why I Volunteer” public service announcements that promoted volunteering and AmeriCorps statewide.

To support ServeNebraska through the Nebraska Volunteer Foundation Fund visit:

[www.serve.nebraska.gov/getinvolved/get\\_involved\\_donate.htm](http://www.serve.nebraska.gov/getinvolved/get_involved_donate.htm)

# New for 2013...

## Ambassadors

ServeNebraska is grateful for the cooperation and partnership of volunteer Ambassadors in each of Nebraska's 93 counties. This statewide reach increases the ability of Nebraskans to volunteer and enhance effectiveness of community efforts in our state through the identification and mobilization of skilled volunteer managers – Ambassadors.



## ServeNebraska Week of Service

During this signature week, all Nebraskans will be called on to demonstrate the power of service in our state. Governor Dave Heineman and First Lady Sally Ganem will serve as honorary champions for the Week of Service. The ServeNebraska Week of Service will allow Nebraskans to show their volunteer spirit in their communities. The week-long effort will provide Nebraskans with flexibility as to when they volunteer and for how long. By giving their time whether it's an hour, a day, or a week – no amount is too big or too small. This is an opportunity for individuals, families, groups, nonprofit organizations, faith-based groups, businesses and government entities to come together to serve and promote volunteer commitment in their communities.

## ServeMidlands Inclusion Conference

The ServeMidlands Inclusion Conference is planned to take place in March 2013 at the Thompson Alumni Center at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. State Commissions ServeNebraska and Volunteer Iowa will partner to offer this free conference for participants to learn how people with disabilities can strengthen communities and themselves through volunteering and national service. The conference will feature a full day of workshops on a wide range of topics for professionals and volunteers, visits to vendors, lunch and a service project. Conference sessions will be tailored to: national service participants and staff, veterans, military and military families, professionals, volunteers, students and families.



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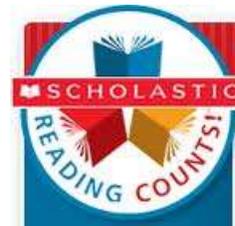
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