



## **AMERICAN RECOVERY** **REINVESTMENT ACT IN NEW JERSEY**



The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides funding to engage AmeriCorps members and community volunteers in efforts to stimulate the economy and assist distressed communities in meeting critical social needs resulting from the economic crisis. The ARRA AmeriCorps program was only open to current grantees in order to ensure that program expansion could happen quickly and effectively with experienced providers. New Jersey programs received a total investment of \$1,027,704 to support 87 AmeriCorps members who are serving communities with home foreclosure prevention and housing assistance; financial literacy education; improving the energy efficiency of homes, public buildings, and small businesses; expanding after-school and summer education programs for youth, while enabling their parents to work; teaching seriously disabled children; and assisting families in greatest need at food banks and pantries.

### **FY10 AmeriCorps ARRA Grantees**

Cerebral Palsy Association of Middlesex County, Edison (Middlesex Co.) - \$91,700  
International Institute: Bringing New Jersey Together, Jersey City (Hudson Co.) - \$23,727  
Jefferson Park Ministries: Haitian Youth Advancement & Comm. Outreach, Elizabeth (Union Co.) - \$83,020  
NJ After 3: New Jersey After School Service Learning, Statewide - \$174,300  
NJ CDC: Community Leaders Program, Paterson (Passaic Co.) - \$183,400  
NJ PIRG: NJ Community Energy Service Corps, Newark (Essex Co.) - \$24,235  
NJ Office of the Public Defender, Statewide - \$44,914  
St. Paul's CDC: AmeriCorps Program, Paterson (Passaic Co.) - \$131,000

Teach For America, Newark (Essex Co.) - \$15,000

The College of NJ: Bonner Leaders Program (National Competitive), Statewide - \$256,408



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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 funds to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) are to preserve jobs in the nonprofit arts sector. The NEA distributed a portion of those funds to each State Arts Agency for the purpose of preserving jobs in the arts in their state. The New Jersey State Council on the Arts received \$336,900 and distributed application guidelines to eligible organizations. Requests totaled \$1.15 million. Applications were reviewed through peer grant review panels against a uniform set of evaluative criteria. At its annual meeting on July 28 the Council awarded FY10 Staffing Preservation Support grants to 16 New Jersey non-profit arts organizations representing a variety of disciplines in the northern, central and southern regions of the state for a total investment of \$334,400. The remaining \$2,500 is being used by the Council for management of this grant program. The Council is grateful for this support provided by ARRA through the NEA and congratulates the FY10 grantees.

### **FY10 Staffing Preservation Support Grantees**

Appel Farm Arts and Music Center, Elmer (Salem Co.) - \$28,000  
City Without Walls, Newark (Essex Co.) - \$22,136  
East Lynne Company, Inc., Cape May (Cape May Co.) - \$3,952  
Garden State Philharmonic, Toms River (Ocean Co.) - \$13,689  
Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra, Trenton (Mercer Co.) - \$17,500  
Luna Stage Company, Inc., Montclair (Essex Co.) - \$15,393  
Mainstage Center for the Arts, Blackwood (Camden Co.) - \$7,500  
New Jersey Theatre Alliance, West Orange (Essex Co.) - \$30,000  
New Jersey Youth Symphony, Murray Hill (Union Co.) - \$26,457  
Newark School of the Arts, Inc., Newark (Essex Co.) - \$30,000  
Park Theatre Performing Arts Inc., Union City (Hudson Co.) - \$12,873  
Riverside Symphonia, Lambertville (Hunterdon Co.) - \$28,000  
Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey, Madison (Morris Co.) - \$30,000  
South Jersey Cultural Alliance, Pleasantville (Atlantic Co.) - \$17,150  
Strand Ventures, Inc., Lakewood (Ocean Co.) - \$21,750  
Symphony in C, Camden (Camden Co.) - \$30,000