

Day 1 Tuesday, April 14, 2026									
8:00	Attendee Check-In and Exhibit Hall Opens								
9:00 - 9:45	Special Meetings Timeslots								
10:00 - 10:45	Special Meetings Timeslots								
11:00 - 11:45	First Time Attendee Meet Up	OIG Listening Session AmeriCorps OIG Team	ASC Mentor Program Meet-Up	States for Service Meet-Up					
11:45 - 1:00	Break / Lunch on own / Register / Visit exhibitors								
1:00 - 1:45 (45 min.)	Opening Plenary								
1:45 - 2:00 (15 min.) Break									
2:00 - 3:15 (75 min.) Block A	Changing Times with Changing Administrations—Federal Grant Compliance in 2025 and 2026 Scott Sheffler	What You Can Do to Protect AmeriCorps Programs AmeriCorps OIG Team	Let's Map Next Steps for Learning Through Evaluation Gretchen Biesecker	High-Impact Workforce Messaging: A Toolkit for Stakeholder Engagement Julie McLeod, Lisa Winkler, Brett Burk	The Member Experience: The Essential Importance of Grounding Members in Better Understanding Poverty Amy Salinas	Effectively Engaging Elected Officials: Allowable Ways to Share AmeriCorps' Story and Impact Shanelle Oliver & Sarah Aldridge	Engaging Youth to Advance Your Organizational Mission Julie Rogers-Bascom	KEYS to professional communication – understanding your communication style, helping members recognize their style and how to adapt for a successful service and professional future. Kristy DeCola & Kimmy Ferry	Civic Reflection Conversation - Engaging Members with Intentionality Chris Erickson & Meg Petrie
3:15 - 3:45 (30 min.) Break									
3:45 - 5:00 (75 min.) Block B	UG – Uniform Guidance or 2 CFR § 200: It Doesn't Need To Be An "Ugh" Sara Fry	Subsite and Subgrantee Oversight AmeriCorps OIG Team	Using Data to Maximize Impact: Real-Time Progress Monitoring and Data Collection and Reporting Best Practices Rob Kelly	Pathways With Purpose: Engaging Opportunity Youth for Service and Mental Health Careers Margaret (Mo) Burke, Sheridan Nixon, Kelly Middleton Banks, Amber Martin-Jahn	Leadership Without the Fire Drill: Systems, Clarity & Sanity for National Service Directors Celeste Brown	From Service to Scale: Exploring Venture Capital as a Tool to Strengthen and Expand National Service Gary Kosman	AI in Action: Crowdsourcing Work Smarter Not Harder Solutions for Strategic Community and Volunteer Engagement Kayla Paulson	Building Bridges: Community Engagement and Cross-Stream Partnerships With Faith-Inspired Organizations Cecilia Flores	Storytelling That Builds Trust, Support, and Leadership Cristina Flores & Paula Phillips
5:00 - 7:00 (120 min.)	Welcome Social								

Day 2 Wednesday, April 15, 2026									
9:00 - 10:15 (75 min.) Block C	Understanding your Match Requirements Susan Meche	Conflict Prevention and Resolution Training for Members Karl Johnson	From Design to Insight: Using AI to Support Evaluation Planning, Data Collection, and Analysis in AmeriCorps Programs Sue Hyatt	Strategizing AmeriCorps Partnerships: Leveraging Programs, State Goals, and Braided Funding Mike Moon & Greg Bates	Recruiting, Managing, and Retaining AmeriCorps Members in a Changing Landscape Ni-Eric Perkins	Building Sustainable Funding: Strategies to Attract Philanthropy, Corporate Support, and Individual Donors Chester Spellman	Preventing Burnout: Strategies for Leaders of Volunteers Beth Steinhorn	ASC Public Policy Session Kaira Esgate	Developing a Workforce Pipeline for AmeriCorps Members Shellie Baker
10:15 - 10:45 (30 min.) Break									
10:45 - 12:00 (75 min.) Block D	Financial Compliance for Fixed Amount Awards Susan Meche	The A.R.T. of Program Management Kevin Curley & Lizzie Morris Vogt	Leveraging Capacity Building and Direct Service to Fight Poverty and Strengthen Communities: A Case Study from the University of Mississippi Laura Martin, Albert Nylander, Tracee Brooks, Jacee Palmer	From People Power to Program Power: Driving Value with Identity & Data Peter Nelson & Amber Martin-Jahn	The Value of Veterans Brian Blahnik	Leading at the Speed of AI Jay Abbasi	From Experience to Understanding: Using Reflection as a Tool for Retention Faiza Venzant	Beyond the Program: Building a Statewide Support System for AmeriCorps Members and Staff Katie Sylvis & Erin Hardigree	Build the Bench: Creating Meaningful Service Development Opportunities to Set Your Members Up for Success Erin Susman & Ricci LaRoue
12:00- 12:30 (30 min.) Break									
12:30 - 2:00 (90 min.) Lunch Provided (buffet)	Keynote Plenary								
2:00- 3:00 (60min.) Break / Networking / Collaborative Conversations/ Open Meeting Time									
2:15 - 3:00 (45 min.) Break / Networking / Collaborative Conversations/ Open Meeting Time				Collaborative Conversation: AmeriCorps Seniors Led by Texas Senior Corps Association	Collaborative Conversation: AmeriCorps VISTA Successes & Challenges Led by Ty Pierce	Collaborative Conversation: Say AmeriCorps to Save AmeriCorps Led by Alexis Matthews & Jane Atkinson	Financial Points of Contact Working Session AmeriCorps OIG Team		
3:00-3:15 (15 min) Transition to workshop block E									
3:15 - 4:30 (75 min.) Block E	Building Confidence in Your Subrecipient Budget Review Process Anna Eberhardt	National Service Criminal History Checks – Understanding the who, what, why, where and how Jennifer Cowart	The Power of Collective Data: Demonstrating AmeriCorps Impact Jaclyn Kolar, Joshua Winata, Kaylee Romero	From Service to Statewide Resilience: The National Guard–AmeriCorps Model for Critical Infrastructure Support Arianna Pattek	Recruitment Reinvented: AI, Culture, and Collaboration in AmeriCorps Stacey Grant	The Resilience Reset: Practical Strategies to Reboot and Rebuild Program Trust Cole McMahan	The 25th Anniversary of 9/11 (2026) – How to Leverage a Historic Moment of Service David Paine	Building Futures from Within: Role Clarity and Career Pathing for Staff Shannon Stober	Elevate Your Corps Culture Through Intentional Meetings Sean Noe & Elyse Sanchez
5:00 - 6:00 (60 min.)	Network Resource Group Networking								

Day 3 Thursday, April 16, 2026									
9:00 - 10:15 (75 min.) Block F	P&P for the Win!- Improving Grants/Financial Management Policies and Procedures Jerry Bertrand	Tick, tock, tick, tock – The Ins and Outs of Member Timesheets Jennifer Cowart	Corps to Career by Design: Building a Life After Service Ecosystem Tray T.S. Deadwyler	Success Beyond Service: Preparing Members for What's Next! Allyssa Harris & Sean Noe	The Power of Appreciation - Building a Culture of Recognition Brian Blahnik	Glows, Grows, and Goals: How to Build a Peer Mentoring and Coaching System That Works Josh Mullins & Caitlin Bottoms	21st Century Strategies for Recruiting Volunteers Rochelle Germano	Curiosity Wins: Boost Retention, Trust, and Service Impact Maggie Phillips	
10:15 - 10:45 (30 min.) Break									
10:45 - 12:00 (75 min.) Block G	The Ultimate Planning Tool: How to Future-Proof Your AmeriCorps Program Grant Budget Kerry Ose	Your New Superpower: Member Support That Makes Them Stay Elyse Sanchez & Sean Noe	Steering Systems to Service-to-Career Pathways John Kelly, Amber Martin-Jahn, Vanessa Bennett	Creating an Afterschool Career Pathway Through Performance Based Evaluative Practice Thomas Azzarella & Lily Tegner	Recruitment in Uncertain Times: Strategies for Resilience and Adaptation Leah Pagano	Evidence In Action: Using Alumni Data to Strengthen Recruitment, Partnerships, and Policy Maureen Eccleston	Bridging the Gap: Engaging Older Adults in P-12 Student Success Through Purposeful Recruiting Jennifer Bennett & Dorothy Jones	Principled Decision Making: in Alignment with the Heart of National Service Values Ebony Barney	
12:00- 12:15 (15 min.) Break									
12:15 - 1:30 (75 min.) Lunch Provided (boxed)	Closing Plenary								