

Wednesday, April 29, 2026				
10:00 - 11:00 (60 min.)	Virtual Exhibit Hall			
11:00 - 11:45 (45 min.)	Welcome and Opening Keynote Presentation			
<i>11:45 - 12:00 (15 min.) Break</i>				
12:00 - 1:15 (75 min.) Block A	The Next Frontier of Workforce Development: Connecting Service to In-Demand Careers Vanessa Bennett & Martha Ross	What You Can Do to Protect AmeriCorps Programs AmeriCorps OIG	The Ultimate Planning Tool: How to Future-Proof Your AmeriCorps Program Grant Budget Kerry Ose	Effectively Engaging Elected Officials: Allowable Ways to Share AmeriCorps' Story and Impact Shanelle Oliver & Sarah Aldridge
<i>1:15 - 1:45 (30 min.) Break</i>				
1:45 - 3:00 (75 min.) Block B	Training That Transforms: Best Practices for AmeriCorps Orientation and Skill-Building Kristi Paiva, Chara Stewart Abrams, Nadine Nadal Monforte, Teresa Wagner	21st Century Strategies for Recruiting Volunteers Rochelle Germano	Understanding your Match Requirements Susan Meche	Leadership Without the Fire Drill: Systems, Clarity & Sanity for National Service Directors Celeste Brown
<i>3:00 - 3:30 (30 min.) Break</i>				
3:30 - 4:45 (75 min.) Block C	Let's Map Next Steps for Learning Through Evaluation Gretchen Biesecker	Engage, Develop, Retain: Strategies for Statewide Programs Caitlin Bottoms, Holly Dennis, Whitney Reynolds	UG – Uniform Guidance or 2 CFR § 200: It Doesn't Need To Be An "Ugh" Sara Fry	From Service to Scale: Exploring Venture Capital as a Tool to Strengthen and Expand National Service Gary Kosman

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<i>12:15 - 12:45 (15 min.) Break</i>				
12:45 - 2:00 (75 min.) Block E	From Recruitment to Retention: Practical Workforce Strategies for AmeriCorps Sponsors and Intermediaries Nadine Nadal Monforte, Chara Stewart Abrams, Manuel Acuna	National Service Criminal History Checks – Understanding the who, what, why, where and how - Jennifer Cowart	P&P for the Win!- Improving Grants/Financial Management Policies and Procedures Jerry Bertrand	The Resilience Reset: Practical Strategies to Reboot and Rebuild Program Trust - Cole McMahon
<i>2:00 - 2:30 (30 min.) Break</i>				
2:30 - 3:45 (75 min.) Block F	Storytelling That Builds Trust, Support, and Leadership Cristina Flores & Paula Phillips	Tick, tock, tick, tock – The Ins and Outs of Member Timesheets Jennifer Cowart	Building Confidence in Your Subrecipient Budget Review Process Anna Eberhardt	Leading at the Speed of AI Jay Abbasi
<i>3:45 - 4:00 (15 min.) Break</i>				
4:00 - 4:45 (45 min.)	Closing Keynote Presentation			

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