

# NOW SEEKING PROPOSALS GRANTS OF \$1,000 & \$2,000 & \$3,000 AVAILABLE DEADLINE: 5/30/2025

**Engage NJ** is proud to partner with **9/11 Day** to bring meaningful service opportunities to college campuses across New Jersey. Through this collaboration, Engage NJ is helping schools apply for funding to host **9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance** events, empowering students to honor the memory of September 11th through acts of kindness and community engagement. Grants provided by 9/11 Day (<u>https://911day.org/</u>) make it possible for campuses to organize volunteer projects. By facilitating these applications, Engage NJ ensures that more students can participate in this national movement, turning a day of remembrance into a day of action.

**Why should your campus get involved?** The 9/11 National Day of Service is a powerful way to unite students, faculty, and local communities in a shared purpose. Research shows that service events strengthen campus morale, foster leadership skills, and create lasting social impact. Whether your school is large or small, urban or rural, there's an opportunity to tailor a service project that reflects your community's needs and values.

Join the thousands of Americans who are transforming 9/11 into a day of unity and compassion. Engage NJ is here to help your campus take the first step—visit <u>https://www.engagenj.org/911</u> to learn more about the application process and how your school can become part of this inspiring tradition. Together, we can ensure that the spirit of service continues to grow, honoring those we lost by building a brighter future for all. Let's make this year's 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance the most impactful yet!





#### SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES

Application Deadline – May 30th

Awards Announced – June 17th

MOU Signed & Returned – June 24th

Event Timeframe – September 1st to September 25th

(Reasonable exceptions allowed—must request approval before scheduling)

**Reports Due** – One week after event (*no later than October 2nd*)

#### ELIGIBILITY & TYPES OF AWARDS

- 1. **All nonprofit higher education institutions** are eligible to submit a proposal for the 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance grants. The level of grants to be awarded are:
  - \$1,000 based on an estimated 25-50 students serving at the 9/11 Day of Service event
  - **\$2,000 –** based on an estimated 50-100 students at the 9/11 Day of Service event
  - \$3,000 based on an estimated 100+ students serving at the 9/11 Day of Service event

Please note that these numbers are used as a guiding metric rather than a strict criterion. Campuses should use past events as a benchmarking tool.

2. Applicants must select one or more partner for your event, such as a nonprofit, charity, social service agency, or public school





- 3. Applicants should demonstrate your capacity and experience in implementing successful service projects
- 4. Applicants must use all supporting sponsors' guidelines regarding the use of their logo as sponsor on your marketing materials and press releases

### **GRANT MANAGEMENT**

Each successful applicant must identify a 9/11 Day coordinator of your event and grant, serving as the primary contact for your state or regional director. It is preferable that this coordinator is a full-time salaried individual, with sufficient capacity and access to students to be successful in coordinating your event.

- 1. Successful applicants must track:
  - b. The number of people serving at the event
  - c. The number of community entities partnered with or involved in the event
- 2. Engage NJ and AmeriCorps logos (samples and guidance for which will be provided by **Engage NJ to successful applicants**) must be displayed at all project/event locations and on materials, including marketing materials, relating to the project
- 3. Receipts must be kept for all grant spending, with unused funds or funds spent without available receipts returned to your state or regional office upon completion of the 9/11 event, no later than 9/30/25





9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance

## Sample Budget

SAMPLE BUDGET AND EXPENDITURE		DESCRIPTION
Transportation - including vehicle rental or mileage reimbursement. The standard mileage reimbursement should not exceed the federal mileage rate	\$1,000	\$1,000 in van rental costs to transport students to the event
Equipment and Supplies - including print, food, drinks - must include an individual listing of items costing more than \$1,000	\$500	\$480 total cost of refreshments ; \$20 printing
Contractors - including guest speakers and event facilitators	\$500	\$500 speaker honorarium
Other - Please Note that you should contact your state or regional entity to discuss and agree "other" budget items AND significant budget amendments, following your selection as a grantee, in advance of these expenses being made	\$0	
TOTAL	\$2,000	

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