

Senior Companion Program (SCP) Activities & Accomplishments Survey



NOTE: DATES TO BE UPDATED BASED ON DATE OF OMB CLEARANCE FOR THE INFORMATION COLLECTION.

Your organization has been chosen to complete this survey. Reflecting a national random selection method, your organization represents similar programs we could not include in this year's assessment. While participation in the survey is voluntary, your response is critical to providing a complete picture of our volunteer programs. The results of this survey will help convey to Congress the accomplishments of the SCP program and will more clearly establish its value to organizations like your own.

Please know that your responses to this data collection will be used only for purposes of this research. The reports prepared for this study will summarize findings across the sample and will not associate responses with a specific organization or individual. We will not provide information that identifies individuals or their districts to anyone outside the study team, except as required by law.

COMPLETING THIS SURVEY FORM:

- This survey has been customized to address the types of activities carried out by SCP volunteers for your organization. This determination was based on communications with the Senior Corps Project Director who coordinates with your organization If you have not received the appropriate survey sections, please contact: Kathy Morehead, survey coordinator at Westat: 1-888-446-1292, or by e-mail, Kathymorehead@Westat.com.
- The survey asks about SCP volunteer activities and accomplishments during the 12-month period from October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003.
- Please review the Background Section and make corrections to the identifier information as needed.
- Please respond to the sections regarding your volunteers, your organization, and volunteer management.
- Please fill in the next section(s) with information about each of the activities that SCP volunteers carry out for your organization, specifically the numbers of SCP volunteers, SCP volunteer hours, and the nature of the accomplishments for a particular activity. Please avoid duplicating services—select the single best place, in your view, to describe an activity. Please refer to the sample item on page 8 as an example of how to complete the section(s). If numbers are hard to specify, please provide your best estimate.
- Describe any SCP volunteer activity for your organization that does not seem to fit any of the categories included here in the Other Services Section at the end of the survey form.

AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE SURVEY:

- After completing all parts of the survey, please make a copy for your records.
- Staple originals together and seal them in the envelope that is provided by Westat, the firm contracted to administer the survey.
- Return all sections of the survey to **Westat by <u>Friday, May 14</u>**. The full address is: Westat, Room RA 1225, 1650 Research Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850. If you wish to <u>fax</u> it: 1-888-377-5716.

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Westat at (1-888-446-1292, Kathymorehead@Westat.com).

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maintaining the data needed, and completing the form. Comments on the burden or content of this instrument may be sent to the Corporation for National and Community Service, Department of Research and Policy Development, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington DC 20525.

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		BACKGROUND					
Υ	our Organization:						
N	lailing Address:						
С	ity/State/ZIP						
P	erson completing this form:						
	Your Name						
	Your Title						
Υ	our Telephone number:						
Y	our Email:						
Is	s your organization faith-based?	Yes No					
		YOUR VOLUNTEERS					
	Senior Companions and Your Organization: (all questions for the 12-month period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003)						
Vo	lunteer Information						
	Number of Senior Companions during	that 12-month period (headcount)	SCP volunteers				
a.							
a. b.	Number of Senior Companions during Total Number of Senior Companion ho		volunteers				
a. b. c.	Number of Senior Companions during Total Number of Senior Companion ho Number of non-Senior Companion volu 12-month period (headcount)	ours during the 12-month period unteers serving with your organization during the -Senior Companion volunteers were recruited,	hours non-SCP				
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YOUR ORGANIZATION

Please check the most appropriate boxes for your organization.

HEALTH	COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Hospital/Medical Center/Clinic Nursing Home/Convalescent Center/Hospice Home Health Care Agency Non-Residential Mental Health Agency Non-Residential Developmental Disability/ Rehabilitation Center Residential Long-Term Care Agency (MH/MR/DD) Congregate Meal/Meals on Wheels Agency Food Bank	Community Development Program or Non-Profit Agency Thrift Shop/Coop/Craft Shop Chamber of Commerce Government Agency Other Community and Economic Development Agency, please specify
Government Agency	PUBLIC SAFETY
Other Health Care Organization or Health Department; please specify HUMAN NEEDS	Court Adult Correctional Agency Police/Law Enforcement Agency Other Public Safety Organization, please specify
Adult Day Care CenterTransitional Shelter/Center (Homeless, Battered, etc.)	DISASTER
Multi-Purpose Center (including senior centers) Public Housing Agency Government Agency Other Social Service/Human Needs Agency, please specify	Red Cross Government Agency Other Disaster Organization, please specify
EDUCATION	HOMELAND SECURITY
Library Museum Adult Education Organization Government Agency Other Educational Organization, please specify	Red Cross Other Community-based Organization/ Agency Government Agency Other Homeland Security Agency, please specify
	OTHER
HOUSING Homeless Center Community-based Housing Organization Government Agency Other Housing Organization, please specify	Other Organization or Agency, please specify

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VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT

(For the 12-month period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003)

1. Please describe the extent to which Senior Companions provide the following benefits to your organization. (Check one choice for each statement)

		True to a great extent	True to a moderate extent	Not true	Not applic- able	Don't Know
a.	Senior Companions help expand the <i>types</i> of service to clients.					
b.	Senior Companions help increase the <i>number</i> of clients served.					
C.	Senior Companions help improve the <i>quality</i> of services provided.					
d.	Senior Companions help free up paid staff time.					
e.	Senior Companions bring specialized skills, such as legal, financial management, or computer expertise.					
f.	Senior Companions help increase public support for our organization and/or improve community relations.					
g.	Senior Companions help recruit other volunteers (non-Senior Companion).					
h.	Senior Companions help manage other Senior Companions.					
i.	The Senior Companion project reduces the time and effort needed to recruit volunteers who can help meet our agency's needs.					
j.	Other reason (Specify):				<u> </u>	_
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2.	Please describe the extent to which your organization uses tools to manage Senior Companion
	Volunteers, (Check one choice for each statement)

	nagement of Senior Companion unteers	Used to a great extent	Used to a moderat e extent	Not used	Not applic- able	Don't Know
a.	Written policies and volunteer assignment descriptions for Senior Companion volunteers.					
b.	Liability coverage or insurance protection for Senior Companion volunteers.					
C.	Recognition activities, such as award ceremonies, for Senior Companion volunteers.					
d.	Regular collection of information on numbers and hours of Senior Companion volunteers.					
e.	Annual measurement of the impacts of Senior Companion volunteers.					
f.	Training and professional development activities for volunteers.					
g.	Screening procedures to identify suitable Senior Companion volunteers, and to match them with appropriate tasks or jobs.					
h.	Regular supervision of and communication with Senior Companion volunteers.					

3. We are interested in knowing if anyone in your organization is primarily responsible for volunteer management. (Please check "yes" or "no")

Staff responsibility for volunteer management		No	Don't know
a. Does your organization have a paid staff person whose responsibilities include management of volunteers?		(Go to Item 4)	
b. Does your organization have a volunteer who is responsible for the management of other volunteers?			

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4. Some organizations encounter challenges with Senior Companions or the Senior Companion project. Please note the degree to which each of the following issues has been a challenge for your organization. (Please check one choice for each statement below)

	allenges in the development of Senior mpanion volunteer assignments	A major challenge	A minor challenge	Not a challenge at all	Not applic- able	Don't Know
a.	Responsiveness of the Senior Companion project when:					
	 More Senior Companion volunteers are requested. 					
	 Senior Companion volunteers with the right skills or expertise are needed. 					
	 Senior Companion volunteers are needed for specific schedules. 					
b.	Lack of paid staff time to properly train and supervise Senior Companion volunteers.					
С	Lack of adequate funds for supporting Senior Companion volunteer involvement.					
d.	Regulatory, legal, or liability constraints on Senior Companion volunteer involvement.*					
e.	Absenteeism, unreliability, or low quality service provided by Senior Companion volunteers.					
f.	Other challenge (Specify):					

^{*} constraints might include reporting, background checks, or liability insurance

5.	To what extent would each of the following factors increase your capacity to involve volunteers
	in service (both Senior Companion and non-Senior Companion)?

		Would increase to a great extent	Would increase to a moderate extent	Would not increase at all	Don't Kno W
a.	More training or professional development in how to work more effectively with volunteers.				
b.	Greater availability of potential volunteers with specialized skills, such as legal, financial management, or computer expertise.				
C.	A one-year, full-time volunteer with a living stipend, and with responsibility for volunteer recruitment and management.				
d.	Fewer regulatory, legal, or liability constraints on volunteer involvement.				
e.	More information about people in the community who want to volunteer.				
f.	Other factor (Specify):	- - -			

6. We'd like to know about the methods your organization uses to locate and recruit Senior Companion volunteers. Does your organization...

		Yes	No	Not applic- able	Don't Know
a.	Do public speaking before groups?				
b.	Use radio?				
C.	Use the Senior Corps JASON web-based recruitment system?				
d.	Use other (non-JASON) Internet recruiting system(s)?				
e.	Use television?				
f.	Use newspapers, trade papers, billboards, or fliers?				
g.	Register with other organizations to receive referrals?				
h.	Use special events, such as volunteer fairs or organizational open houses?				
i.	Use word of mouth?				
j.	Other method (Specify):				

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SAMPLE SCP VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

Below is an example of how to complete the items regarding accomplishments.

Sample.	Delivery of Health Services
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Number of Senior Companions who provided these services:	30
Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:	
Type of Service Num	<u>ber</u>
Provided escort and support services in community clinics, home health agencies, and other health settings to 15	0 frail adults in community clinics.

Provided services at a clinic, hospital, mobile-unit, skilled nursing facility, or adult day care center to..... 500 frail adults.

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HUMAN NEEDS: HEALTH/NUTRITION (HN)

HN-a	. <u>Total</u> estimated number of people who benefi	ted:	
	e answer the following questions for the 12-month period Respond for only those categories that best describe a Co		
HN-1	. Delivery of Health Services		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Provided escort and support services to		frail adults in community clinics.
	Provided services at a clinic, hospital, mobile-unit, skilled nursing facility, or adult day care center to		frail adults.
	Provided information on the delivery of health services to		frail adults.
	Helped		frail adults to prepare for/recover from operations.
	Visited with/nurtured		hospitalized frail adults.
HN-2	. Mental Health		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Provided support services to		frail adults with mental health impairments.
HN-3	. Developmental Disabilities		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Provided support services to		frail adults with

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HN-4. Substance Abuse

Number of Senior Companions who provided these services: Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		
Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
Distributed informational fliers on the abuse of alcohol, prescription and illegal drugs, and over-the-counter medications to		people.
Provided services to HN-5. Physical Disabilities		frail adults and their families who participated in substance treatment, rehabilitation, or support groups.
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Number of Senior Companions who provided these services: Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		
Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
Provided information on coping with physical disabilities to		frail adults.
Provided rehabilitation, exercise, and other services to		
HN-6. In-Home Care		
Number of Senior Companions who provided these services: Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		•
Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
Assisted with grooming, dressing and other daily tasks For Provided information on health, nutrition, and other in-		frail adults in their homes.
home services to		frail adults.
Provided services such as light housekeeping, meal preparation, and nutritional education to		frail adults in their homes.
Enabled the organization to expand in-home care services to an additional		frail adults.
Enabled the organization to offer new in-home services for.		frail adults.
Informed case management professionals about potential problems or needed services for		frail adults.
Provided peer counseling, wrote letters, visited, listened, read, and spoke with		frail adults to ease their feelings of loneliness.

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HN-7. Hospice/Terminally III Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:..... **Type of Service** Number Provided information about hospices and other services for the terminally ill to..... frail adults and their families. Nurtured and supported...... terminally ill adults and their families. HN-8. **HIV/AIDS** Number of Senior Companions who provided these services:..... Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:..... **Type of Service Number** Provided information on HIV/AIDS programs to...... frail adults. Nurtured and supported..... frail adults with HIV/AIDS living in hospices, hospitals and in their homes, and their families. Other Health/Nutrition Services HN-9. Number of Senior Companions who provided these services:..... Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:..... Number Type of Service Please specify these other health/nutrition services: (1)_____, to... people. (2)_____, to... people.

(3)______, to... _____ people.

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OTHER HUMAN NEEDS (O)

O-a.	Total estimated number of people who benefi	ted:	
	e answer the following questions for the 12-month period Respond for only those categories that best describe a Co		
0-1.	Adult Day Care		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services: number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Provided supportive services and social activities at adult day care centers for		adults.
0-2.	Companionship/Outreach		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services: number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Counseled, provided support, wrote letters, listened, read or spoke to		people to ease their feelings of isolation and loneliness.
	Visited, called or provided bereavement support to		people.
	Visited with		hospitalized patients.
<u>O-4.</u>	Respite		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these services: number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:		
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>	
	Provided information on respite programs to		frail adults and their caregivers.
	Provided respite for		caregivers of frail adults.

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<u>O-5.</u>	Senior Citizens Assistance			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these servinumber of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	-
	Please describe any specific Senior Citizens Assiservices:	istance		
	(1)	, to		people.
	(2)	, to		people.
	(3), to			people.
O-6.	Senior Center Programs			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these servious			
	Type of Service		Number	
	Provided supportive services and social activities centers to			frail adults.
O-7.	Elder Abuse/Neglect			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these servi number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Type of Service		Number	
	Assisted			frail, abused elders and their families.
O-8.	Other Human Needs Services			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these servinumber of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Please specify these other human needs service:	s:		
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
	(1)	, to		people.
	(2)	, to		people.
	(3)	, to		people.

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COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CED)

CED-a. Total estimated number of people who	benefite	ed:	
Please answer the following questions for the 12-mont 2003. Respond for only those categories that best descr			
CED-1. Transportation Services			
Number of Senior Companions who provided these services	S:		
Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			······ <u>·</u>
Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
Drove		 	people for grocery shopping errands and doctor visits.
Drove people for grocery shopping, errands and doc visits for			miles.
CED-2. Senior Companion Leaders			
Number of Senior Companions who provided these services Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
Recruited new Senior Companions to serve with you organization, totaling			new Senior Companion
Coordinated and helped to manage volunteer teams involving			volunteers.
CED-3. Other Community and Economic Deve	lopment	Services	
Number of Senior Companions who provided these services Total number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
Type of Service		Number	
Please specify these other Community and Econom Development services:	ic		
(1)	_, to		people.
(2)	_, to		people.
(3)	, to		people.

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PUBLIC SAFETY (PS)

PS-a.	Total estimated number of people wh	o benefit	ed:	
	e answer the following questions for the 12-mor Respond for only those categories that best des	•	•	• •
PS-1.	Safety/Fire Prevention/Accident Prev	ention		
	er of Senior Companions who provided these service number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
	Identified and reported			safety problems (e.g., home safety, fire prevention, auto safety, traffic/pedestrian control problems).
	Identified and reported safety problems affecting			frail adults.
PS-2.	Crime Awareness/Crime Avoidance			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these service number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Identified and reported			potential crime problems.
	Identified and reported potential crime problems af	fecting		frail adults.
	Provided safety escort services to			frail adults.
	Provided information on ways to avoid victimization as direct deposit services and scam alerts, to			frail adults.
PS-3.	Other Public Safety			
	er of Senior Companions who provided these service number of Senior Companion Volunteer hours:			
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
	Please specify these other public safety services:			
	(1)	, to		people.
	(2)	, to		people.
	(3)	, to		people.

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HOUSING (H)

H-a. <u>Total</u> estimated number of people who benefited:						
Pleas	Please complete those items that are relevant to your SCP volunteers for the period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003.					
H-1.	Homeless					
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:					
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>			
	Participated in programs to help the homeless (exhousing referrals) attended by			people.		
H-2.	Other Housing Services					
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services: number of SCP Volunteer hours:					
	Please specify these other housing services:					
	(1)	, to		people.		
	(2)	, to		people.		
	(3)	, to		people.		

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EDUCATION (ED)

ED-a	. <u>Total</u> estimated number of people who benefit	ted:			
Please	Please complete those items that are relevant to your SCP volunteers for the period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003. Items related to education for children have been excluded.				
ED-1	. ESL				
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:				
	Type of Service	Number			
	Provided information, program enrollment, or referrals on ESL programs to				
ED-2	. Service Learning				
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:				
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>			
	Reflected on their volunteer experiences and described their insights concerning service, client advocacy, social issues and their own lives by		volunteers.		
ED-3	. Adult Education and Literacy				
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:				
	Type of Service	<u>Number</u>			
	Provided literacy assistance to		adults.		

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	teers who provided these servic			
	Type of Service		<u>Number</u>	
Please specify	these other education services	:		
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(2)		, to	ped	ople.

(3) ______, to...

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DISASTER (D)

D-a.	. <u>Total</u> estimated number of people who benefited:				
	Please complete those items that are relevant to your SCP volunteers for the period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003.				
D-1.	Disaster Preparedness				
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:.number of SCP Volunteer hours:				
	Type of Service		Number		
	Provided information, class enrollment, or referral natural disaster preparedness to			people.	
	Were on "on-call" lists for			emergencies or needs.	
	Prepared disaster plans for	–		homebound seniors.	
	Helped seniors prepare for, cope with and unders what to do in the event of emergencies / disasters				
				seniors.	
D-2.	Other Disaster Services				
	er of SCP Volunteers who provided these services:.number of SCP Volunteer hours:				
	Type of Service		Number		
	Please specify these other disaster services:				
	(1)	, to		people.	
	(2)	, to	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	people.	
	(3)	, to		people.	

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OTHER SERVICES (OS)

Activity not included in survey	Specific activity performed by Senior Companion	Number of Senior Companion Volunteers Performing Activity	Total Number of Hours Spent on Activity	Number of People Served by the Activity
Language Assistance	Language interpretation	8	200	16

Please add any additional information on the reverse side of this page.

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