



Commonwealth of Virginia
Office of the Governor

Executive Order

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CONTINUING THE GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY BOARD ON SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERISM

Importance of the Initiative

Service and volunteerism are critical components of our civic life. The Commonwealth of Virginia and federal government work in tandem to develop a focal point for these efforts.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor under Article V of the Constitution of Virginia and under the laws of the Commonwealth, including but not limited to § 2.2-134 of the *Code of Virginia*, and subject always to my continuing and ultimate authority and responsibility to act in such matters, I hereby affirm the Governor's Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism. The Board is classified as a gubernatorial advisory board in accordance with § 2.2-2100 of the *Code of Virginia*.

The Board shall be established to comply with the provisions of the National and Community Services Trust Act of 1993, and to advise the Governor and Cabinet Secretaries on matters related to the promotion and development of national service in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Board shall have the following specific duties:

1. To advise the Governor, the Secretaries of Education, Health and Human Resources, Natural Resources, Veterans and Defense Affairs, the Commissioner of Social Services, and other appropriate officials, on national and community service programs in Virginia and on fulfilling the responsibilities and duties prescribed by the federal Corporation for National Service.
2. To advise the Governor, the Secretaries of Education, Health and Human Resources, Natural Resources, Veterans and Defense Affairs, the Commissioner of Social Services, and other appropriate officials, on the development, implementation, and evaluation of Virginia's Unified State Plan that outlines strategies for supporting and expanding national and community service throughout the Commonwealth.

3. To promote the importance of AmeriCorps programs in meeting Virginia's most pressing human, educational, environmental, and public safety needs.
4. To collaborate with the Department of Social Services and other public and private entities to recognize and call attention to the significant community service contributions of Virginia citizens and organizations.
5. To promote volunteerism and community service within the Commonwealth.
6. To work with the Department of Social Services on promoting the involvement of faith-based organizations in community and national service efforts.

The Board shall be comprised of no more than twenty voting members appointed by the Governor and serving at his pleasure. No more than 25 percent of voting members may be state employees.

The Governor may appoint additional persons at his discretion as ex-officio, non-voting members. The voting members of the Board shall elect the Chair. Board voting membership shall include representatives for the categories as outlined in federal regulations issued by the Corporation for National Service.

Staff support as necessary to support the Board's work during the term of its existence shall be furnished by the Department of Social Services, and the Governor may designate further support by any other executive branch agencies. An estimated 300 hours of staff time will be required to support the work of the Board.

Funding needed to support the Board shall be provided from federal funds, private contributions, and state funds appropriated for the same purposes of the Board, authorized by § 2.2-135 of the *Code of Virginia*. Direct costs for this Board are estimated at no more than \$15,000. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation, but may receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties.

The Board shall meet at least quarterly upon the call of the Chair. The Board shall make an annual report to the Governor and shall issue such other reports and recommendations as it deems necessary or as requested by the Governor.

This Executive Order replaces Executive Order No. 66, issued on July 22, 2013, by Governor Robert F. McDonnell. This Executive Order shall be effective upon its signing and, pursuant to §§ 2.2-134 and 2.2-135 of the *Code of Virginia*, and shall remain in force and effect for a year or until superseded or rescinded.

Given under my hand and under the Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia, this 30th day of June, 2014.



Terence R. McAuliffe, Governor

Attest:

Levar M. Stoney, Secretary of the Commonwealth