On September 21, 1993, on the South Lawn of the White House, President Bill Clinton signed H.R. 2010, Public Law No. 103-82, creating both the Corporation for National and Community Service and AmeriCorps. He was joined by Vice President Gore, Eli Segal, original members of President Roosevelt’s CCC, Peace Corps Director Carol Bellamy, Sargent Shriver, service corps participants from across the country, recent Summer of Service participants, and individuals who had invested their time and talents to lay a foundation for national service. On this day, President Clinton also nominated Eli Segal to be the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

One year later, on September 12, 1994, the first class of AmeriCorps members took the pledge to “get things done” for America on the North Portico of the White House and in simultaneous locations across the country.

Today we conclude the commemoration of 20 years of AmeriCorps making a difference in communities across our country.
Twenty years ago today, the first class of AmeriCorps members were sworn in at the State Capitol. Their mission, to get things done for America and for Texas. Since that day, AmeriCorps has built upon our long tradition of neighbor helping neighbor in our communities – mentoring our children so that they can stay on grade level, assisting in disaster relief, and helping young people achieve their dreams of going to college. AmeriCorps members are making a significant contribution to the quality of life for all Texans.

This also marks a milestone for our friends at OneStar Foundation as they celebrate a decade of serving as Texas' first nonprofit state service commission and strengthening the nonprofit community through dedication, flexibility, and innovation. Anita joins me in congratulating and commending all of you for making our Texas communities a better place to live, grow, and thrive. God bless you, and through you, may He continue to bless the great State of Texas.

- Governor Rick Perry

Texas has a proud tradition of neighbor helping neighbor. From serving as church officials to coaching youth sports to joining cleanup efforts along our coastline, Texans are always ready to pitch in and lend a helping hand. Since 1994, AmeriCorps has tapped into that community spirit, connecting people of all ages and backgrounds with enjoyable, fulfilling volunteer opportunities. As you celebrate AmeriCorps' 20th anniversary and look toward a continually bright future, I commend you for your dedication to service.

First Lady Anita Perry joins me in wishing you the best.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin, this the 1st day of August, 2014.

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas
PROGRAM

Performance by
The Longhorn Brass

Emcee
Taylor Ellison

Presentation of the Colors
Texas Department of Public Safety Honor Guard

National Anthem
Cristina Flores

Remarks by
Mark Updegrove
Elizabeth Darling

Governor Rick Perry (video)
Randi Shade
Nancy Weiss
Rosie Mauk
Eric Bing
Dr. Uri Treisman
Daphne Brookins
Meghan Hein
Nicole Gabler
Dhriti Stocks
Lisa Tatum
Beau Egert
Elisa Lucero

AmeriCorps Pledge via Live Stream
from the White House with President Obama

Reception in LBJ School Lobby
**PRE-PROGRAM MESSAGES**

**Robert Marbut, Jr.** of San Antonio is Principal of Marbut Consulting and a former Professor at Northwest Vista College. Marbut currently serves as the Chairman of the OneStar Foundation national service commission board of directors.

**Dan Rather** is one of America’s most well-known journalists, having worked for CBS News for more than four decades. Rather is a supporter of AmeriCorps and national service.

**Neil Bush** is Chairman of Points of Light Foundation whose mission is to inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the world. Points of Light Foundation also houses AmeriCorps Alums, the national service alumni network.

**PROGRAM SPEAKERS**

**Taylor Ellison** is an Austin-based Lifestyle and Entertainment Reporter who previously served as a Youth Commissioner with OneStar Foundation in 2008. Taylor is also an AmeriCorps Alum who served with Teach For America in Washington, D.C. from 2009-2011, teaching 8th graders at KIPP DC: WILL Academy.

**Mark Updegrove** is Director of the LBJ Presidential Library. He is an author, publisher, lecturer and journalist who has served as U.S. publisher of Newsweek, president of Time Canada, and manager of Time Los Angeles. Updegrove is also an analyst for ABC News and a contributing editor for PARADE Magazine.

**Elizabeth Darling** is President/CEO of OneStar Foundation and was recently named a member of the 2014 NonProfit Times Power and Influence Top 50. Before coming to OneStar, Elizabeth was Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) in Washington DC.

**Randi Shade** served as the Founding Executive Director of Texas Commission on Volunteerism & Community Service where she was responsible for launching AmeriCorps in Texas. Later she was appointed by Governor Perry to serve as a member of the Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service in 2001. Randi has also served as an Austin City Council member, Executive Director of the Austin Entrepreneurs Foundation, and Founder/CEO of an Internet company.

**Rosie Mauk** served as an original commissioner and Chair of the Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service. Mauk went on to become Director of AmeriCorps at CNCS from 2001-2005, overseeing AmeriCorps State and National, VISTA, and National Civilian Community Corps. Most recently Rosie served as Associate Director of Peace Corps, overseeing the recruitment and placement of 5,000 Peace Corps volunteers serving internationally. She retired in 2011.
**PROGRAM SPEAKERS CONTINUED**

**Nancy Weiss** is former Chair of the Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service. She has served with many volunteer organizations and boards including the Junior League of Lubbock and the National Association of State Service Commissions. She is currently serving on the National Advisory Board of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women’s Health and the governing council of Second Baptist Church in Lubbock.

**Eric Bing** is former Chair of the Texas Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service and served on the Commission from 1997-2003. He founded Houston-based Bing & Company, Inc. He is currently focused on global healthcare education and renewable energy in East Africa.

**Dr. Uri Treisman** is Professor of Mathematics and Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, where he directs the Charles A. Dana Center. The Dana Center is the home of ACE: A Community for Education, the longest standing AmeriCorps state program in Texas.

**Daphne Brookins** currently sits on the OneStar National Service Commission Board and is an AmeriCorps Alum from the first class of 1994. Brookins is a Human Services Specialist for the City of Fort Worth Community Action Partners and is the coordinator of the youth leadership academy, Rising Stars.

**Meghan Hein** is the current President of Austin AmeriCorps Alums and the Program and Communications Manager for the Texas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. She served from 2009-2010 with Rebuilding Together Twin Cities.

**Nicole Gabler** is President of Schulenburg AmeriCorps Alums, a three-time AmeriCorps member with Schulenburg-Weimar In Focus Together (SWIFT), and a past Governor’s Volunteer Award Winner.

**Dhriti Stocks** is Co-President of the North Texas AmeriCorps Alums and Senior Development Manager at Junior Achievement of Dallas. She also serves on the Board of Directors of Sustainable Education Solutions, a nonprofit opening an environmentally focused charter school in South Dallas.

**Lisa Tatum** is Co-President of the North Texas AmeriCorps Alums chapter and winner of AmeriCorps Alums’ National Leadership Award.

**Beau Egert** is the former Director of Program & Initiative Development at OneStar and former Chair of the OneStar Foundation Board.

**Elisa “Lisa” Lucero** currently sits on OneStar National Service Commission Board and is the Anniversary Event Committee Chair. Lucero is employed by the Texas Oil and Gas Association.
**Presidents/CEOs of OneStar Foundation**

Susan Weddington  
2004-2009

Elizabeth Darling  
2009-present

**Current OneStar Foundation and OneStar National Service Commission Board Members**

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Kirk Beckert (NSC)  
Daphne Brookins (NSC)  
Michael Burke (NSC)  
Aranda Cooper (NSC)  
Bruce Esterline (OSF)  
Anna Maria Farias (OSF)  
Larry Goddard (OSF) (NSC)  
Terry Gunnell (NSC)  
Ronnie Hagerty (NSC)  
Joanie Haley (OSF)  
Mary Keller (NSC)  
Helen Knaggs (OSF)  
Mary Grace Landrum (NSC)  
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Alison Meador (OSF)  
Cynthia Nunn (NSC)  
Melissa Pardue (OSF)  
Arturo Serna, Jr. (NSC)  
Brenda Swinney (OSF)  
Amber Rose Wall (NSC)  
Charles Wall, Jr. (NSC)  
Michael Williams (NSC)  
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Dan Woodward (NSC)  
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AmeriCorps Alums
20th Anniversary National Leadership Award

Lisa Ranee Tatum

Senior Manager, Disaster Preparedness at the Volunteer Center of North Texas

To commemorate the 20th anniversary of AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Alums – a Points of Light enterprise— announced the 20 winners of its National Leadership Awards, including Lisa Tatum from Texas.

Tatum, and 19 other alumni from across the country, were selected because of their exemplary commitment to a lifetime of service. Building on her experience as an AmeriCorps member, Tatum now works to solve critical problems in Disaster Preparedness as the Senior Manager at the Volunteer Center of North Texas.

Lisa Tatum served from 1997 through 1999 with AmeriCorps NCCC, Western Region Corps. Tatum became a Team Leader in 1998 responding to natural disasters including Hurricane Katrina and Super Storm Sandy and provided professional consulting and support to communities nationally. She has promoted service as a chapter leader for the AmeriCorps Alums of North Texas and as an active member of the North Texas AmeriCorps Alliance.

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I will get things done for America -
to make our people safer, smarter, and healthier.

I will bring Americans together
to strengthen our communities.

Faced with apathy,
I will take action.

Faced with conflict,
I will seek common ground.

Faced with adversity,
I will persevere.

I will carry this commitment
with me this year and beyond.

I am an AmeriCorps member,
and I will get things done.
**History of OneStar Foundation**

For almost four decades, there has been an acknowledgement by the State of Texas of the critical importance of civic engagement to the strength of our communities. From the creation of the Texas Center for Volunteer Action in 1976 by Governor Dolph Briscoe through Executive Order DB-22, to the formation of its eventual successor, OneStar Foundation in 2004, Texas has maintained its support of a strong nonprofit sector.

In 1993, federal legislation created Corporation for National Community Service and also provided for a state service commission in each state and the territories. The Texas state service commission is OneStar Foundation. Some state commissions are housed within state agencies or their Governor’s Office; others have set up separate nonprofits like OneStar. By legislation, the Executive directors and board members of all service commissions are appointed by their respective Governors. Board members are bi-partisan and represent cross sector interests including education, business, labor, youth, and community organizations.

Today, OneStar Foundation is recognized statewide as the voice of the sector, a neutral convener and a respected business partner to foundations, state agencies, and the business community.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
GOVERNOR

To all to whom these presents shall come,
Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is presented to the:

OneStar Foundation
on the occasion of its

10th Anniversary

Charity is a vital part of our society. Across our nation, individuals and organizations play the part of parent, teacher and counselor to those who are the victims of unfortunate circumstances or simply cannot care for themselves. Since 2004, the OneStar Foundation has played an important role in promoting volunteerism and community service in the Lone Star State. By embracing the timeless Texas tradition of neighbor helping neighbor, you are demonstrating true devotion to your community.

You continue to demonstrate the hard work and commitment that have helped the OneStar Foundation achieve this milestone, and I wish you continued success in the future.

First Lady Anita Perry joins me in extending best wishes.

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