

IMPACT & OUTLOOK

2016 - 2017

Community Engagement Center

DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Who We Are

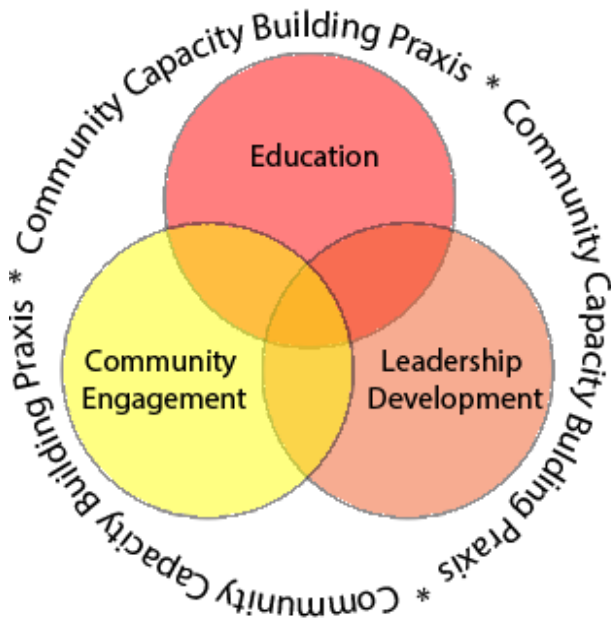
The Community Engagement Center (CEC) was formed in 1997 by faculty, staff, students, and community members who wanted to better utilize university and community assets to meet community identified needs through education, community engagement and leadership development. CEC serves as a university-based intermediary with communities to implement community goals.

Mission

Leadership for Community Capacity Building

Vision

Nurture a diverse leadership of the next generation of civically minded youth at UNM and CNM from local neighborhoods for community capacity building



UNMSC Cohort Areas for Apprenticeships are Inclusive of all Majors:

- Educational Justice
- Tribal Justice
- Environmental and Community Sustainability
- Youth Development
- Community Health
- Economic Justice
- Immigration Justice

Impact on Students



Graduation & Retention – Our data shows that the UNMSC experience provides students the opportunity to explore careers, discover a reason to study and graduate as they find purpose in their work. One sample study of a UNMSC cohort shows a graduation rate of 52.2% within 4.5 years, with 37.6% of that cohort who were still in school. Thus, 89.8% have graduated or are still in school.

Careers after College – UNM students explore careers through apprenticeships. All students have robust resumes which includes real world experiences in New Mexico's communities and membership in AmeriCorps, a nationally recognized network. Every year a number of UNMSC alumni are hired by non-profits and community based organizations across the state.

Leadership & Mentorship – UNMSC members have strong peer support from the CEC Interns and CEC graduate assistants. Additionally, they receive mentorship from community-based site leaders, faculty and campus partners.

The experience, an intersection of Professional Development, Community Engagement and Leadership Development provides the students with:

- Career Exploration and Purpose for Education
- Critical Thinking Skills (antiracism)
- Scholarships (~\$100,000/year)
- Graduation at UNM (52.2%)
- Careers after College (hired by CBOs)
- Student Ambassadors for UNM
- Leadership Opportunities

Programs, Services, Sub-units and Initiatives

<u>Program</u>	<u>Number of Students Served</u>	<u>Target Population</u>	THE UNM 5
1. Tribal Service Corps	100	Native American Children/youth	COMMUNICATION SKILLS CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS COLLABORATION SKILLS PROFESSIONALISM
2. Education Justice Corps	100	Children, youth and adults	
3. Community Health Corps	200	Children, youth and adults	
4. Economic Justice Corps	50	Children/youth	
5. Immigration Justice Corps	100	Youth and adults	



Fiscal Update, Revenues

Source	Amount
SFRB	\$112,000
Community Eng. Ctr I&G	\$ 8,000
Kellogg Grant	\$200,000
Financial Literacy Service Corps	\$ 6,000
UNM Service Corps/ACA	\$ 15,000
TOTAL	\$341,000

Goals for 2017-18

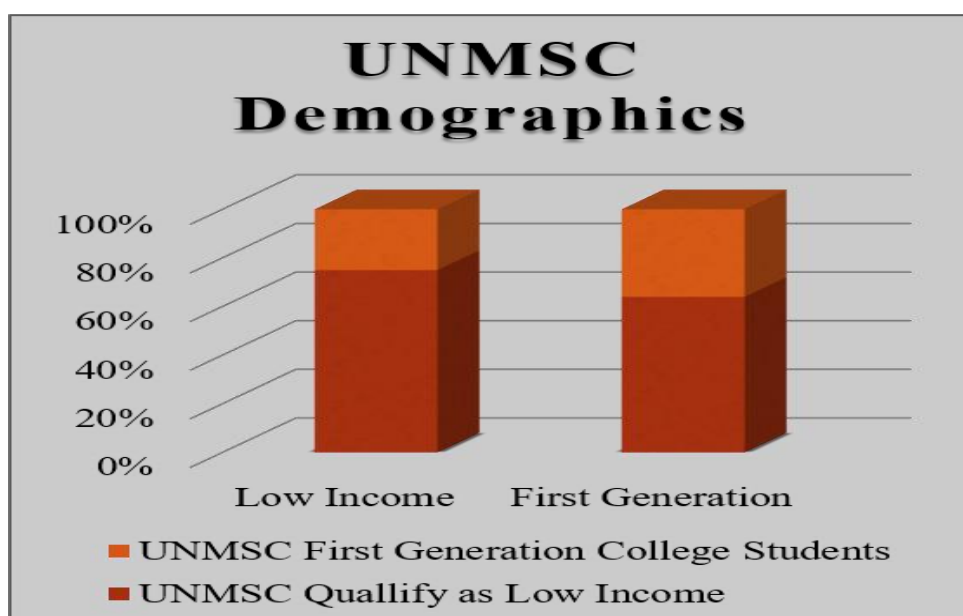
- Complete and disseminate results of research on CEC's impact
- Strategize and implement a new UNM Service Corps model
- Enhance anti-racism and critical literacy benchmarks in conjunction with community partners
- Create site-based curricular plan with an anti-oppression focus
- Re-envision an institutional change agenda partnership with current partner sites

CEC Long Term Goals

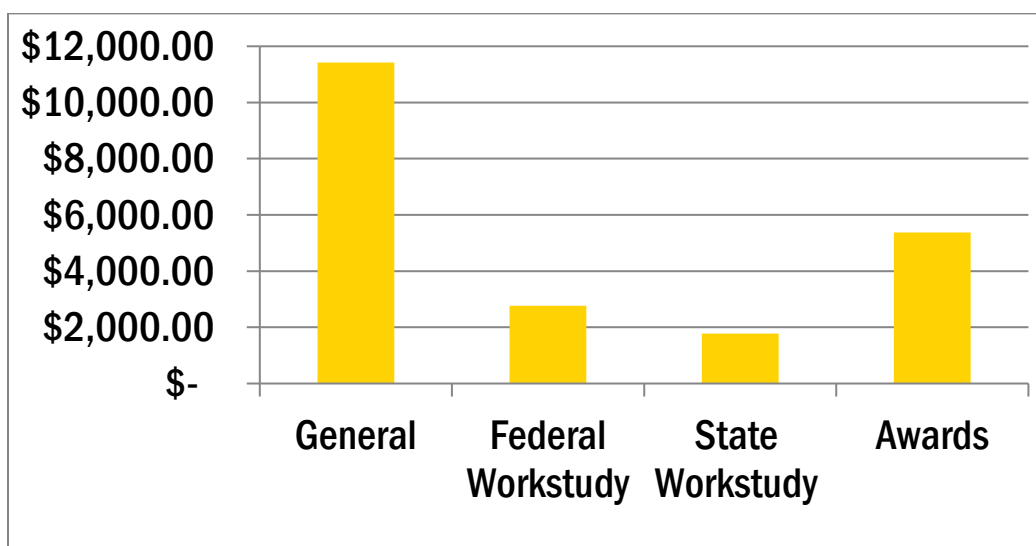
- Engage in and support community learning
- Initiate and engage in community and academic partnerships
- Incubate projects for community sustainability
- Cultivate and advocate for social justice and inclusion
- Promote youth and community advocacy for policy initiatives
- Actively support civic engagement and community advocacy

Selected Impacts and Outcomes

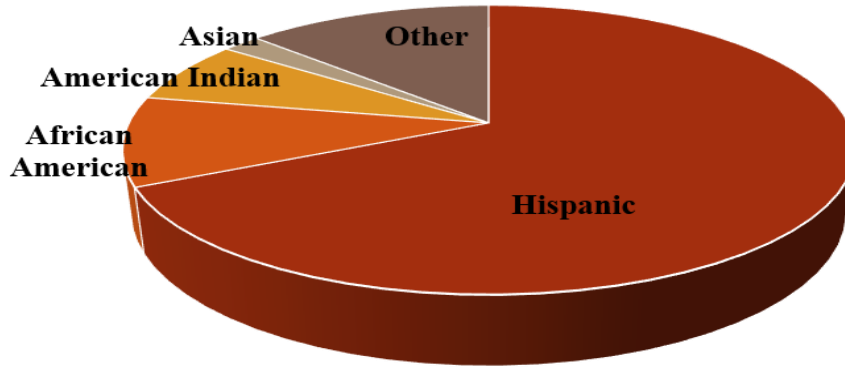
- The UNM-CEC has leveraged more than \$1.4 million in scholarships for over 800 university aged students at UNM and CNM.
- The UNM Service Corps have provided over 600,000 hours of service to New Mexico's communities.
- UNM-CEC annually provides more than \$130,000 in scholarships for students who are involved in community engagement. Most are first generation college students of color who have maintained an average GPA of 3.5
- UNM-CEC creates employment opportunities for the 150 UNM Service Corps. The opportunity provides approximately \$9,000/per year for each student. This equates to more than \$6.4 million for the 150 students to provide service, earn a living wage and scholarships all while staying successfully engaged in higher education.
- Over 40 community based organizations have a long term partnership with UNM through CEC, where most would give testimony to the vital role UNMSC play in their impact in community
- CEC provides over 10 community engagement courses a year, providing critical pedagogy and civic engagement opportunities for students beyond UNMSC.



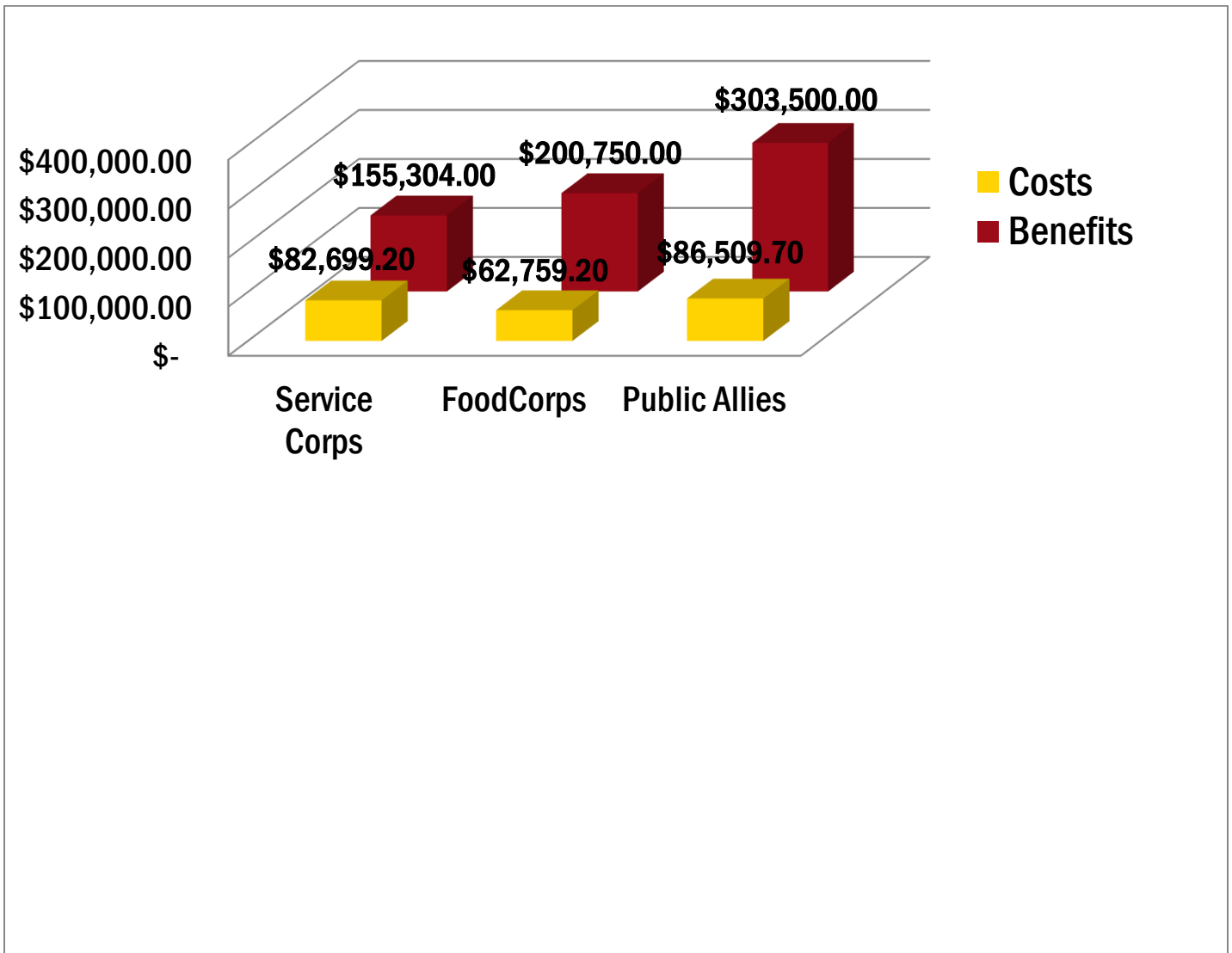
Funding Sources UNM Service Corps



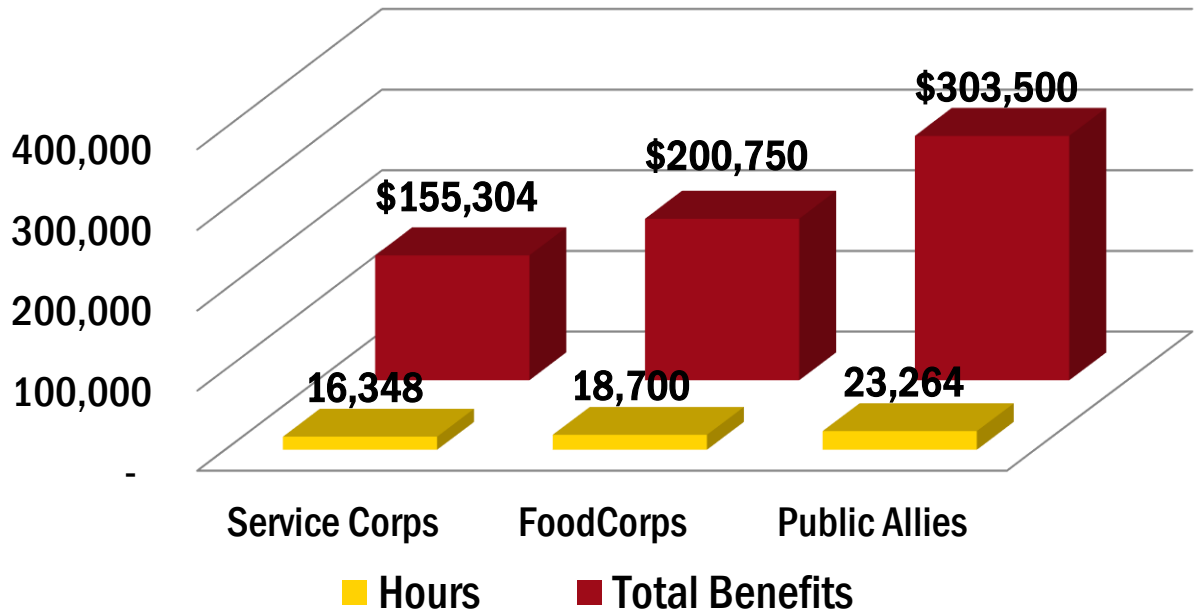
UNMSC Ethnic Demographics



Program Impacts Costs VS Benefits



Total Hours VS Benefits



Quick Facts

- \$1.4 million in Scholarships
- 600,000 Hours of Service
- Long-term Partnerships

- Over 40 Community Organization Partners
- Interdisciplinary, cross-racial Projects

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