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**AMERICORPS GADSDEN READS TO HONOR FIRST RESPONDERS
AS PART OF THE 9/11 DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE**

Five AmeriCorps members will serve dinner to members of the Quincy Fire Department to show appreciation for their service to others ...

- WHO:** AmeriCorps Gadsden Reads
- WHAT:** 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance
- WHEN:** Friday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. Eastern Time
- WHERE:** Quincy Firehouse on Hwy 90
- WHY:** To recognize the service of first responders as a part of the 9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service.

In April, the President signed the Serve America Act and officially designated September 11 as an annual National Day of Service and Remembrance for the first time. This September 11, Americans are joining together in service projects across all 50 states and re-committing to serving their communities.

In your community, AmeriCorps Gadsden Reads, a program funded by Volunteer Florida, is participating in the 9/11 observance by recognizing first responders in your area. This event has been made possible by a donation from the Church of Jesus Christ.

The Governor's Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (Volunteer Florida) was established in 1994 by the Florida Legislature to administer grants under the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. The Commission grants funds to Florida AmeriCorps and National Service programs; encourages volunteerism for everyone from youth to seniors to people with disabilities; promotes volunteerism for disaster preparedness and response; and supports the Governor's priorities through the creation of innovative volunteer programs.

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