

## Region 2

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### Mission Statement

The Region 2 Service Learning Committee serves the nine counties of northeastern California through support, development, advocacy, and promotion of high quality instruction and curriculum for grades K - 16 in Service Learning and Civic Education. The purpose of the Region 2 Service Learning Committee is to support student achievement through the following goals:

- To sponsor and support effective Service Learning and Civic Education curriculum, workshops, and programs;
- To identify and support implementation of effective strategies in delivering high quality Service Learning instruction;
- To distribute and disseminate important information related to Service Learning education;
- To support, develop, and maintain an effective Service Learning network throughout the region.
- Distribution of regional resources (Region 2 Service Learning CD) and presentations

### REGION 2 SERVICE LEARNING SERVICES (Contact the Region 2 Service Learning Lead)

- Presentations
- Workshops
- Resources
- Website: [www.region2online.org](http://www.region2online.org)

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# Service Learning



**Learn and Serve  
America**

**2009 / 2010**

# Region 2

Butte

Glenn

Lassen

Modoc

Plumas

Shasta

Siskiyou

Tehama

Trinity

## What is Service Learning?

Service-learning is a method whereby participants learn and develop through active participation in thoughtfully organized service that:

- is conducted in and meets the needs of a community;
- is coordinated with middle schools, high schools, elementary schools, institutions of higher education, and local agencies and programs;
- helps foster civic responsibility;
- is integrated into and enhances the [core] academic curriculum of the students, or the educational components of the community service program in which the participants are enrolled; and
- provides structured time for the students or participants to reflect on the service experience.

**Service-Learning is** a teaching and learning strategy that integrates meaningful community service with instruction and reflection to enrich the learning experience, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities.

## Service Learning is Learning About . . .

- Reasoned Decision-Making
- Goal-Setting & Planning
- Research Skills
- Problem Solving
- Communities
- Connections Between Knowledge & Real Life Skills
- Social Skills
- Careers
- Respect & Responsibility
- Citizenship
- Civic Education

## Service Learning Links

- **Youth Service California**  
[www.yscal.org](http://www.yscal.org)
  - **National Service Learning Clearinghouse**  
<http://www.servicelearning.org>
  - **The Civic Mission of Schools**  
[www.civicmissionofschools.org](http://www.civicmissionofschools.org)
- and <http://www.cms-ca.org>
- **Center for Civic Education**  
[www.civiced.org](http://www.civiced.org)
  - **Constitutional Rights Foundation**  
[www.crf-usa.org](http://www.crf-usa.org)
  - **California Dept. of Education**  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/sl/>
  - **National Council for the Social Studies** [www.ncss.org](http://www.ncss.org)

## Elements of High Quality Service Learning

- Meaningful Service
- Linked to Curriculum
- Student Voice
- Diversity
- Reflection
- Partnerships
- Civic Responsibility and Engagement
- Quality Indicators (duration, intensity, progress monitoring)

## Region 2 Programs and Projects of Excellence

- Region 2 Youth Summit (March)
- Region 2 Service Learning Advisory Committee (3-5 meetings per year)
- Shasta County After-School Program
- Scott Valley Unified School District, Siskiyou County (Gary Warner)
- Shasta County Health Improvement Program
- Center for Civic Education programs (*We The People* and *Project Citizen*)

**Service Learning is practice by doing, teaching others, engagement, discussion, presentation, and reflection.**