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Cross Examination

**Topic:** National Service

**Resolved:** The United States federal government should establish a policy substantially increasing the number of persons serving in one or more of the following national service programs: AmeriCorps, Citizen Corps, Senior Corps, Peace Corps, Learn and Serve America, Armed Forces.

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- Civil Liberties
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CX Evidence
The following evidence will help you begin researching the 2006-2007 National Service topic. The cards are cut and ready to be used in a debate round.

Public Health Assistance Websites
Visit the following list of websites to get a head start on your research for the 2007-2008 Public Health Assistance CX Topic.

NFL LD Card of the Week
Follow this link to read extended quotations from experts, explanation of the topic, and strategies for a round.

2007 Summer Debate Camps
As you are preparing for the 2007-2008 debate season, Debate Central provides the following list of debate camps around the country.

Tournament Calendar
Click to view a list of tournaments for 2007!

Round Reports
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Debate in the News
Follow this link to view newspaper articles discussing high school and college debate.

Casebook
The St. Mark’s tournament posted a casebook from the Heart of Texas. Follow the links to find affirmative cites and negative strategies for the national service topic.

National Service Websites
Follow the link to view a list of websites that will help you research the CX national service topic.

Understand Cross-Examination Debate
The following PDFs are great resources for understanding Cross-Examination Debate.
Ask the Experts

The “Ask the Expert” feature of Debate-Central is intended to provide you access to leading experts on this year’s debate topic. We have recently posted the experts’ responses to the questions you asked! Read their responses to gain insight on the 2006-2007 national service topic.

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Congressman Ron Paul of Texas enjoys a national reputation as the premier advocate for liberty in politics today.

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Donald J. Eberly
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Donald J. Eberly has been President of the International Association for National Youth Service since 1998. He is closely acquainted with all aspects of national youth service—civilians and military, domestic and international, and as a volunteer, administrator, researcher and advocate.

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