

Salt Lake County Most Vulnerable Populations Program

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# What is AmeriCorps

#### History of AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps is a national service program founded in the same spirit as the Peace Corps, VISTA, and the Armed Forces, and other forms of national service.

The AmeriCorps program provides members with a service experience in exchange for a modest living allowance and other benefits.

#### **Common Goals of AmeriCorps**

- ✓ Getting things done
- ✓ Strengthening communities
- ✓ Encouraging responsibility

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- The MVP Program is a Capacity Building Grant with a focus on Economic Opportunity.
- AmeriCorps members serve Salt Lake County's Most Vulnerable Populations.
- Our members help bridge the gap and reduce barriers for a variety of vulnerable populations including but not limited to; youth, individuals currently experiencing homelessness, and those involved in the criminal justice system.
- Members are placed in community agencies to serve individuals and families by assisting in activities such as housing placement, job placement, system navigation, healthcare liaisons, and volunteer recruitment

### Allowable Time



#### **Direct Service**

This will make **up at least 80%** of the required hours

This is the main function of the positions

• When member is working directly with people to make change, or doing work that is involved in making that direct change





#### **Member Development**

A maximum of 20% of hours can be in this area

Development hours are applicable when they are relevant to members service

This can include additional training from the host-site organization

Other development options provided by the Program Coordinator

#### Fundraising

Must be pre-approved by Program Manager and State Commission

### Why Host an AmeriCorps Member?

This is a great opportunity for student enrolled in:

- Social Work/Services
- · Psychology
- Public Health
- Social Justice
- Sociology
- Humanities
- Public Relations
- Non-profit organization and management
- **Anyone** interested in Community and Social Impact

- Increase Organizational Capacity
- Bridge the gap and reduce barriers
- Get help with projects from energetic innovative students
- Build talent pipeline
- Inspire young professionals



Member Term of Service **12-month Commitment** 

• Half Time- 900 Hours 18-20 hours week

6 -Month Commitment

• Quarter Time- 450 Hours 18-20 hours week

**Reduced Half Time- 675 Hours** 13-15 hours week

• Minimum Time- 300 hours 13-15 hours week





## Host Site Cost Per Member Slot

**12-Month Term of Service** 

**6-Month Term of Service** 

900 Hours- \$7200 per member slot

450 Hours- \$3600- per member slot (min 2)

675 Hours- \$5400 per member slot

300 Hours- \$2400 per member slot (min 2)



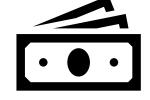


# Program Director Responsibility



#### **Training and Supervision**

- Actively Recruiting Members
- Make All Formal Offers of Positions to Candidate and Execute Enrollment
- Member Orientation
- Quarterly Professional Development
- Quarterly Host Site and Member check-ins
- Ongoing Support for Members and Host Sites



- Bi-Weekly Member Living Stipend
- Education Award upon Successful Completion
- Provide Childcare Assistance for Qualified Members

### **Host Site Responsibility**



- Assist in Recruiting and Selection of Members
- Work with MVP Program Director to interview and Select Candidates
- Complete Quarterly Reports and Member Evaluations
- Open Communication with Program Manager





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