

AmeriCorps*National Grantee Contacts for Potential Applicants

Grantees listed below may be contacted with questions about what it is like to operate an AmeriCorps grant. Please remember that specific questions about funding, eligibility requirements, and other application questions should be sent to AmeriCorpsNational@cns.gov, or to 202-606-7508.

Current AmeriCorps*National Direct Grantee Contacts

Education Works

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Education Works provides educational services in urban area schools. Activities are directed by school administration in the areas of literacy, art & service learning through the use of American Camps. Education Works, Inc serves over 10,000 students in more than 50 schools. The National School and Community Corps (NSCC) places members in urban schools attended by economically disadvantaged, at-risk children in grades K-12. Members develop and implement in-school, after school, and summer programs to tutor and mentor students. The students served in this program are in need of academic support, have a high level of absenteeism, or demonstrate poor behavior. Members mobilize community volunteers to serve as mentors, and engage families in service learning and community service projects.

Habitat for Humanity Humanity International, Inc.

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Phone: 229.410.7512Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) is a faith-based, non-profit organization incorporated in 1976 in rural Georgia. HFHI seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. With the help of volunteers, donated funds and materials, Habitat affiliates build affordable houses for low income people, requiring that the prospective homeowner contribute "sweat equity" hours. Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) AmeriCorps members increase the capacity of Habitat for Humanity affiliates to build affordable houses, improve the health and stability of low-income families, and strengthen neighborhoods. Members supervise volunteer construction teams, build volunteer management infrastructure, educate and support low-income families through the process of becoming first time homeowners, and mobilize volunteers from the community and from faith-based and youth groups.

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Jumpstart for Children, Inc.

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Jumpstart was founded in 1994 at the intersection of two national trends: the public need for quality early childhood programs and the emerging national service movement recruiting thousands of college students to community service. Jumpstart focuses on three major goals: school success, family involvement, and future teachers. AmeriCorps members tutor low-income, preschool children in Head Start and other community-based learning centers. Members work one-on-one with children to enhance their literacy, language, social, and emotional development by implementing research-based best practices from the field of early childhood education. Members also assist classroom teachers, develop materials, and facilitate parental involvement. In addition to working with children, members build the capacity of their host organizations by mobilizing community volunteers and developing partnerships with local secular and faith-based organizations.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation

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Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) was founded in 1979 and is the nation's largest community building organization. LISC helps resident-led, community-based development organizations transform distressed communities and neighborhoods into healthy ones-- good places to live, do business, work and raise families. LISC AmeriCorps members are placed at local faith-based and secular community organizations to conduct homeownership education and rental assistance counseling, assist with housing development projects, organize neighborhood groups, provide leadership training, run after-school and summer programs for at-risk youth, and engage placement sites and neighborhood residents in neighborhood improvement projects. Members also recruit and manage volunteers to participate in these activities.

National Council of La Raza

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The National Council of La Raza (NCLR) is a private, nonprofit organization established in 1968 to reduce poverty and discrimination, and improve life opportunities for Hispanic Americans. AmeriCorps members address education and employment disparities in the Latino community by engaging in tutoring and job preparedness coaching activities. Members tutor in-school in core areas such as reading, math and science, and tutor and provide homework assistance after-school. Members also orient community members to local job preparedness services; provide job readiness, referral, placement and training services; and coach community members in English as a Second Language (ESL), vocational English and General Equivalency Diploma (GED) preparation coursework.

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Notre Dame Mission Volunteer Program, Inc.

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Notre Dame Mission Volunteer Programs, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded by the Sisters of Notre Dame, a religious institution which has been serving communities in need for over 150 years. The organization targets the educational needs of disadvantaged youth and their families. AmeriCorps members provide educational programs for at-risk children and adults in economically disadvantaged communities. Members tutor children, operate after school programs, and teach ESL, GED, computer and basic job skills courses to adults. Members also recruit volunteer parents for enrichment programs, teach conflict resolution skills, and provide school-to-work transition support for migrant farmworkers.

Youth Volunteer Corps of America, Inc.

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The mission of the Youth Volunteer Corps of America (YVCA) is to create and increase volunteer opportunities to enrich America's youth, address community needs, and develop a lifelong commitment to service. AmeriCorps members act as service learning coordinators, mobilizing and training at-risk youth volunteers to recognize and address community problems through service learning projects. The service-learning projects take place after school, on weekends, and during the summer, and are designed to enhance the effectiveness of community and faith-based organizations. Members work closely with the youth volunteers, teaching them how to identify community needs, and helping them develop, conduct, and reflect on their service learning projects while encouraging each youth volunteer to commit to a lifetime of service.

Current AmeriCorps*National Education Award Program Grantee Contacts

Camphill Association of North America

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Camphill's AmeriCorps members serve and live with people with developmental and other disabilities, providing personal care, classroom/workshop support, vocational training, and shared living. The Camphill communities are located in semi-rural settings and vary in scope and size: a residential school, two training and learning centers for young adults and four village-style communities for adults. Within these communities, members assist people with developmental disabilities in everyday life with: making choices and learning from experience, personal care and hygiene, sustaining tasks at work, social interactions and enjoyment, pursuing individual interests, and working through conflicts and difficult learning experiences.