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New York State AmeriCorps



AmeriCorps members meet community needs with services that range from tutoring and mentoring, cleaning up vacant lots, school yards, rivers and streams, providing after-school programming, and substance abuse services, to neighborhood policing and other public safety activities.

Becoming a Member

Individuals interested in becoming an AmeriCorps member in New York State should check the comprehensive regional program directory listing, which can be found at the following address: www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/youth/nyscnscs/nys_program_listing.asp and contact the programs they are interested in directly for additional information, application, and program start dates. Members must be at least 17 years of age.

In addition, prospective members are highly encouraged to register for the AmeriCorps program at the following link offered by the Corporation for National and Community Service - <https://recruit.cns.gov/>

AmeriCorps Education Award

Full-time AmeriCorps members perform 1700 hours of service and upon completion earn an education award of \$4,725. Full-time AmeriCorps members also receive a living allowance, are eligible for health insurance, and if income eligible, child care. Part-time members perform 900 hours of service and upon completion earn an education award of \$2,363. In some cases, part-time members are also eligible for a pro-rated living allowance. Members also receive training and learn valuable life skills. There are also reduced part-time positions available with pro-rated benefits.

More Information

For other eligibility criteria and more information about AmeriCorps, visit the national AmeriCorps website at www.americorps.org.

The New York State Commission on National and Community Service is the Governor- appointed body charged with fostering volunteerism and community service activities that meet the needs of New Yorkers.

The Commission directly administers the [AmeriCorps*State](#) programs by providing funding for organizations to run local programs that engage individuals from all backgrounds in community service. In New York State, nearly 2,000 members will have provided services to their communities by the end of the year. To meet the specific needs of their communities, organizations throughout New York State apply for AmeriCorps grants through the New York State Commission on National and Community Service. The funded programs recruit and train individuals who are willing to serve as AmeriCorps members. In return for their service, AmeriCorps members receive a living stipend and an education award that can be applied to outstanding student loans or future higher educational and vocational training pursuits.

Community service offers citizens a way to improve their lives while also bringing substantive, enduring change to their communities. It enables citizens to solve problems and strengthen their communities in the areas of education, public safety, the environment, health care, housing and other human needs.

The Commission also collaborates with the Corporation for National Service State Office and the New York State Education Department on community service initiatives in the State. These include AmeriCorps*National, [AmeriCorps*VISTA](#), [National Senior Service Corps](#) and [Learn and Serve America](#).

[AmeriCorps*VISTA](#) (Volunteers in Service to America) members serve in nonprofit organizations across New York State and are dedicated to strengthening communities by increasing the capability of people to improve the conditions of their own lives through employment training, literacy programs, housing assistance, health education, and neighborhood revitalization.

The [National Senior Corps](#) enables individuals aged 55 and older to change and improve the quality of life through service opportunities. The Corps helps these individuals find service opportunities related to their interests close to their homes. The Senior Corps includes three programs - Foster Grandparents, the Senior Companion Program, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

[Learn and Serve America](#) supports teachers and community members who involve young people in community service related to their studies in school. More than 18,000 students in New York State currently provide vitally needed services to their communities through Learn and Serve America. Service learning programs help students become interested in their communities and learn how they can affect the quality of life in them while at the same time, increasing their academic skills.

AmeriCorps*National programs are administered directly by the Corporation for National Service in Washington, DC. These community-based programs also engage individuals from all backgrounds in community service in their local communities. AmeriCorps*National Service programs operate in multiple states.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Albany Region Program Listing

Albany United Methodist Society

AUMS AmeriCorps

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5 Full-time, 11 Half-time and 1 Quarter-time Members

AUMS AmeriCorps hosts 5 full-time members and 12 part-time members in leadership development at 9 service sites in Albany and Schenectady Counties. Member service addresses underprivileged youth through literacy tutoring and mentoring, volunteer recruitment and community outreach. Partnering member sites also host youth development and afterschool (including bi-lingual) programs, as well as food distribution. Members recruit and sustain volunteers, with particular attention to baby-boomer recruitment, at all service sites.

Troy Housing Authority

THA AmeriCorps Program

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20 Part-time Members

Troy Housing Authority (THA) AmeriCorps Members will help to coordinate and provide educational enhancement services, self-sufficiency supports and other quality of life programs to residents of low-income communities. This will include after school help with homework for elementary, middle and high school students; assistance with linkages to job training programs and the support services (e.g. transportation & child care) needed to be successful in these programs; as well as social and recreational programs designed to guide residents toward positive, successful and productive lifestyles.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Buffalo Region Program Listing

Erie Regional Housing Development Corporation, Inc. – The Belle Center

Buffalo LeaderShape AmeriCorps

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Buffalo, NY 14201

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26 Full-time, 12 Half-time and 6 Minimum-time members

The Buffalo Leadershape program will address a brighter future for the youth in a Federal Enterprise Community neighborhood on Buffalo's west side. Through tutoring according to the NCLB guidelines by AmeriCorps members, youth will have a chance to attain a GED or attend college and a chance to serve the community. The AmeriCorps members and program staff will mobilize volunteers to support program activities, such as tutoring and mentoring students and neighborhood and park clean up service learning projects. Baby Boomers will be recruited to mentor each member. Members will receive extensive training in life skills, as well as community and disaster relief. Each member will be part of the LEADERSHAPE INSTITUTE where they will develop an ethic of service and civic engagement and skills for their future.

Genesee County Youth Bureau

Genesee County AmeriCorps

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26 Half-time, 4 Quarter-time, 5 minimum-time members

Genesee County AmeriCorps will place members at a variety of host site agencies. Organizations participating include schools, youth services agencies, local government departments, community organizations, and faith-based programs. Assignments will fall under the categories of youth development/mentoring, volunteer recruitment and public safety/community outreach. Members will work one-to-one and with groups to develop positive relationships with youth in various programs. Each member will work with a host agency to recruit volunteers. In the area of public safety/community outreach, some members will assist host site agencies to increase awareness of their services through participation in a variety of community events, publicity campaigns and other outreach activities.

Legal Assistance of Western New York

Access to Justice AmeriCorps Program

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11 Full-time and 1 Quarter-time Members

The Access to Justice AmeriCorps program engages members in the expansion of civil legal services to the poor and the collaboration with over 40 human services agencies in a fourteen-county area of Upstate New York. By expanding legal services and collaborating with these agencies, a broader array of services will be available to better address the needs of the poor in the region. The primary activities of the members will be to provide direct legal advice and referrals to low-income and disadvantaged individuals and families facing a wide variety of problems for which there is a legal solution and to foster coalition building among present community agencies in order to combat the effects of poverty. It focuses on survivors of domestic violence, the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness, the elderly, people with disabilities, and those in transition from welfare to work.

West Seneca Youth Bureau

AmeriCorps Builds Lives through Education (ABLE)

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60 Full-time, 100 Half-time, 60 Minimum-time members

The mission of the ABLE Program is to help America's poorest children discover the world of written language through one-on-one and small group tutoring with AmeriCorps members. AmeriCorps members engage in service in this comprehensive literacy-based tutoring program that serves students and youth from economically depressed communities in Buffalo and Western New York. Members provide a direct service by tutoring teacher-identified preK-12 students in schools and after-school programs, as well as ensuring that the needs of the school and its community are met through the development and implementation of service-learning projects.

West Seneca Youth Bureau

Western New York Service Corps

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10 Full-time, 16 Half-time and 3 Reduced Half-time Members

The mission of the Western New York Service Corps is to build the food distribution capacities of local food pantries, increase community knowledge of the importance of good nutrition, and recruit community volunteers to work in food pantries throughout Western New York. AmeriCorps members will partner with the Food Bank of WNY and food pantries throughout Erie County to pick up, deliver, sort and bag food, and distribute nutritional information to low-income families. AmeriCorps Members will also recruit and engage community volunteers, and give them the opportunity to assist in staffing, distribute food, recruit additional volunteers, and promote nutritional information at area food pantries.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

New York City Program Listing

City Year

City Year New York
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234 Full-time Members

City Year New York (CYN Y) is a full-time, 10-month team-based AmeriCorps program focused on public education, out of school time programs and volunteer generation. Their mission is to build democracy through citizen service. CYN Y unites young adults, ages 17 to 24, from diverse racial, educational and socio-economic backgrounds to solve pressing community problems, develop as leaders, and inspire and engage volunteers of all ages to join them in service. CYN Y seeks to field a corps of 184 members to improve reading skills for elementary school children, boost their interest in books, create out-of-school-time programming, and increase volunteering especially among children and youth. Program will deliver targeted literacy tutoring; library enrichment programs; after-school and Saturday programs for youth, which promote education and community involvement; and volunteer opportunities for all New Yorkers.

Community Assistance Resources & Extended Services

AmeriCorps Community Early-Intervention Services
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10 Full-time Members

AmeriCorps Community Early Intervention Services will utilize members to support our Early Intervention program for young children diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum disorder. The AmeriCorps members will work as Teaching Assistants in our Applied Behavior Analysis Program and will also provide support to the children's families in helping to integrate them into their communities. Members will also provide research assistance, help with our volunteer program and assist in recreation and parent-child groups. The members will learn how to teach children with Autism Spectrum disorders using one-to-one methods. They will help design the volunteer program, recruit volunteers and assist them in planning community service events. Their assistance in supporting our research efforts will contribute to the sustainability of our multicultural approach to community service in the Early Intervention arena.

Community Counseling and Mediation Services

CCM AmeriCorps Leadership Educational Attainment Project

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21 Part-time Members

CCM's AmeriCorps Leadership & Educational Attainment Project (LEAP) engages people of all ages and backgrounds in addressing their community needs. CCM's corps of 21 members helps serve across communities in Brooklyn, focusing their efforts in the areas of education, environment, public safety, and human needs. Through AmeriCorps LEAP, CCM advances its mission of empowering youth and adults from poor communities by engaging them in critical community building efforts focused around education, health and leadership development. AmeriCorps members are tutors in classrooms with children grades K - 12th at different sites in the community including schools and community centers.

Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS)

CHCANYS Community HealthCorps

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12 Full-time Members

AmeriCorps members are placed in community health centers that are located in medically underserved areas throughout the New York City and Albany region. HealthCorps members provide education, information, and outreach to create a responsive medical home for underserved populations. Overall program goals are to increase access and quality of care, and to address poor health outcomes and health disparities. Members' service activities include preventive health care, without regard to income. Service activities include: outreach and enrollment for Medicaid, Medicare, Child Health Plus/Family Health Plus, linking low income patients with social services, medical translation, patient advocacy, health education and health outreach.

Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation

Eastern Brooklyn Collaborative for Youth Development (EBCYD)

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2 Full-time, 22 Half-time and 6 Reduced Half-time Members

Cypress Hills Eastern Brooklyn Collaborative for Youth Development (EBCYD) members will increase literacy skills for youth in eastern Brooklyn. Members will expand high quality after-school and summer enrichment programs at three school sites serving predominately at-risk children from high poverty communities. Among their AmeriCorps services, members will deliver rigorous literacy curricula and homework assistance. EBCYD will provide a minimum of 15 hours of after-school academic enrichment at three sites serving youth ages 5-14 during the school year.

Fund for the City of New York

Red Hook Public Safety Corps

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36 Full-time, 2 Half-time and 20 Minimum-time members

The Red Hook Public Safety Corps is located in Brooklyn and housed at the Red Hook Community Justice Center, which is a community court that handles criminal family and housing court cases from the neighborhood. The Public Safety Corps create and implement projects involving public safety and community strengthening in Red Hook and Brooklyn. The program strategy is to (1) intervene in the lives of youths who have committed low-level offenses and are now involved in the justice system, (2) build the capacity of youth serving agencies in and around Red Hook that can provide youth with support services, (3) provide opportunities for local teenagers to have positive interactions with justice system players, and (4) recruit local volunteers to donate their time towards helping Red Hook's youth. Projects conducted by Corps members include domestic violence workshops, graffiti and park cleanups, sponsoring a kids' summer baseball league, tutoring children, and assisting teachers in local public schools, and growing community gardens.

Grand Street Settlement

Grand Street Settlement Community Builders

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Grand Street Settlement Beacon

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40 Part-time Members

AmeriCorps members serve in various sites throughout the Lower East Side of Manhattan. They focus on the initiatives of school success, school readiness, school safety and community collaboration, servicing the children, youth and seniors of the community. Grand Street is an AmeriCorps Program with strong community linkages. The program provides quality support and guidance to Lower East Side children and youth, by linking the school environment with after-school programming. Services and activities include after-school programs, which include tutoring and homework assistance and school-readiness programs that stimulate the cognitive, social, motor, and verbal skills of pre-school children.

AmeriCorps members create a safe environment at neighborhood schools and housing developments that experience significant issues of crime and safety and assist local police precincts in identifying individuals interesting in becoming auxiliary police. Throughout the year, AmeriCorps members sponsor community service projects and special events that inspire community collaboration and generate volunteers of all ages in the neighborhood.

Groundwork

Groundwork AmeriCorps Program
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3 Full-time, 6 Half-time, 10 Reduced half-time and 6 Quarter-time members

Groundwork, Inc., working in partnership with several public schools in New York City Department of Education Region 5, and numerous community partners, will support Groundwork's pre-existing after-school and summer academies for at-risk elementary and middle school youth. AmeriCorps will allow Groundwork to enhance and expand programming by increasing the number of elementary and middle school students they serve by at least 25% over three years, recruit and manage at least 120 high school students, parents and senior citizens as volunteers to provide tutoring to struggling readers, lead elementary and middle school students in service learning projects and provide case management support to middle school youth to ensure their acceptance into competitive high schools.

Harlem Children's Zone

Harlem Children's Zone Peacemaker Program
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New York, NY 10035
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Website: www.hcz.org
99 Full-time Members and 16 Part-time Members

AmeriCorps members provide in-class and after school literacy-based and conflict resolution training for children in Harlem elementary schools, tutor, mentor, instruct in computer skills, improve awareness of health and nutrition, and counsel and support children and families through the Harlem Children's Zone Project, a neighborhood-based network of services. These include: The Baby College, a weekly program that provides parents of children ages 0-2 with parent-training; the HCZ Health Initiative, a collaboration between HCZ, Harlem Hospital Pediatrics and the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University to identify and link to effective treatments for every child in the HCZ who has asthma; and the Renaissance University for Community Education (TRUCE), a year round, extended day youth development program where members tutor and conduct college preparation activities.

Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc

Jumpstart New York City

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50 Part-time Members

Jumpstart is working toward the day every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. To achieve this, Jumpstart recruits, trains and pairs college students as part-time AmeriCorps members for one-to-one attention to preschool children. Using research-backed curriculum and intensive one-to-one adult-child interaction, Jumpstart helps preschool children build language and literacy, social, and initiative skills - skills that provide the necessary groundwork for later academic and social success. In New York City, Jumpstart partners with New York University. To learn more, visit www.jstart.org.

New York Restoration Project

New York Restoration Project

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23 Full-time and 14 Half-time Members

New York Restoration Project (NYRP) was founded by Bette Midler in 1995 to reclaim and restore under-resourced open space in distressed New York City communities. The program actively involves volunteers, public agencies, and community and faith-based groups and provides ongoing resources and technical assistance to ensure that community residents have and use the "clean, green, safe oases of natural beauty required for physical and mental health." NYRP AmeriCorps members: teach environmental science and nutrition to youth from high-poverty public schools; run fitness and food-growing programs for children, for improved exercise and nutrition habits; engage individuals, community groups and schools in increasing Community Garden Stewardship in the five boroughs by planning and leading community and after-school activities, like composting and food-growing workshops; increase park usage by leading volunteer crews on daily horticultural restoration and clean-up projects in six public parks in north Manhattan and the South Bronx; and raise volunteer awareness of urban environmental issues.

Pace University Center for Urban Education

Community and Volunteer Mobilization (CVM) Homeland Security

Mr. Nelson Yu

CVM AmeriCorps Program

Center for Urban Education

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1 Full-time Member and 31 Half-time Members

The Pace University Community and Volunteer Mobilization (CVM) AmeriCorps Program organizes, trains and prepares people for homeland security disasters and emergencies. CVM prepares communities to be able to prevent, mitigate, prepare for, and respond to acts of terrorism or other disasters that breach the security and safety of their citizens. CVM focuses on education and training in public health and safety emergency preparedness, English Language Literacy Education, and technology and emergency communication systems awareness.

Public Allies

Public Allies New York

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20 Full-time members

Public Allies AmeriCorps members will provide full-time service at community and faith-based organizations and help them build capacity by increasing volunteers, increasing collaboration with other organizations, improving personnel management, and other support that helps them enhance and expand their services. This AmeriCorps program will meet the civic participation needs of the targeted communities by preparing young leaders to act as catalysts for the involvement of others, especially by recruiting volunteers from the communities they serve.

The Public Allies program will address the need to recruit, develop and prepare diverse young adults, ages 18-30, from underserved communities to launch careers as social entrepreneurs, leaders and public servants. Public Allies New York implements three key service activities: (1) placements in community organizations, where members serve four days a week for ten months on projects that create, improve, or expand services; (2) development of team service projects; and (3) participation in service days.

The After-School Corporation (TASC)

Community Works AmeriCorps Program

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10 Half-time, 26 Reduced Half-time and 66 Quarter-time members

AmeriCorps members provide tutoring, homework help, educational enrichment, cultural enrichment, service learning, recreational activities, sports programming, mentoring, counseling, team-building, and coaching for students in grades K-12 at in-school after-school programs operated by community based organizations. Additionally, members design and implement community service projects and recruit and manage volunteers from the communities they serve. Members serve in teams of at least five and provide a total of 63,332 hours of service in after-school programs over the course of the academic year.

The After-School Corporation (TASC)

Teach After 3 AmeriCorps Program

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4 Full-time, 24 Half-time, 52 Reduced Half-time and 58 Quarter-time Members

AmeriCorps members tutor and help with homework, supervise academic and cultural enrichment and service learning activities, conduct recreational activities and sports programs, and mentor, counsel, team-build, and coach children at-risk of low academic achievement. Additionally, a select group of AmeriCorps members will assist with student and family outreach. The focus of TA3 is on encouraging members to become NYC public school teachers through trainings and hands-on experience with children and in schools.

The After-School Corporation (TASC)

Power Learning Using Service (PLUS)
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New York, NY 10018
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50 Part-time members

Launched in 2006 by The After-School Corporation (TASC), the Center for After-School Excellence is a new initiative seeking to improve the quality of after-school programming in New York City and beyond. Our AmeriCorps members will work in after-school programs throughout the city, with a special emphasis on service learning projects. We are encouraging participants to use their Education Award to further their professional development through university classes in after-school studies.

Yeshiva Kehilath Yaakov

Community Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Project
Mr. Zalmen Gombo, Program Director
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10 Full-time, 16 Half-time Members and 16 Quarter-time members

Yeshiva Kehilath Yaakov will recruit 42 AmeriCorps members who will be placed in Head Start programs and elementary, middle, and high schools at four different program sites. Goals for the Community Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) project include improved outcomes for children and youth and strengthening the community as a whole. The program will ensure a brighter future for youngsters, one of the Corporation's four strategic initiatives with participating youth demonstrating leadership qualities, increasing positive behaviors, and improving classroom performance. Members will serve as mentors and role models for at-risk youth, promoting positive behaviors and healthy self-esteem, and engaging youth in volunteer activities; will expand the capacity of the pre-literacy skill building program at Head Start sites by working with children on special activities that support their reading and language skills development; and will mobilize a pool of volunteers to strengthen community service projects.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Long Island Region Program Listing

NYSARC INC, Nassau County Chapter

NYSARC Adult Day Services Program

Ms. Idamaris Asencio

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Plainview, NY 11803

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67 Part-time Members

Two-year, part-time AmeriCorps members provide shopping services and companionship to homebound elderly and/or disabled citizens, and respite care services for the caregivers of disabled adults and temporarily disabled persons recently released from hospitals. Members, who themselves are disabled, work in teams with senior citizens. This program links and integrates adults with developmental disabilities with seniors and the elderly home-bound population in need of services, resulting in each population gaining a better understanding and acceptance of each other.

Research Foundation of SUNY (Stony Brook)

AmeriCorps Volunteers for Community Service – Education Award Only Program

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50 Part-time Members

The State University of New York at Stony Brook AmeriCorps program is entitled "AmeriCorps Volunteers for Community Service". AmeriCorps VCS members are composed of the University's undergraduate and graduate students who commit to serve as tutors and mentors for at-risk children in K-12 and their family members. Also, members promote a nurturing environment for children with disabilities, provide emergency medical services to the community and recruit volunteers to participate in community service activities. Members' sites include educational programs designed to increase reading, math and computer skills as well as various non-profit organizations providing services to diverse populations.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Rochester Region Program Listing

The Academy for Career Development

HelpTech AmeriCorps

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5 Full-Time and 20 Half-Time Members

HelpTech America, based at the Academy for Career Development, Inc. (The Academy), is a unique collaborative effort of government, educational, industrial, and community & faith based organizations to assist poor, disabled, and low & moderate income families to improve their lives through meaningful employment by providing neighborhood technology learning centers. AmeriCorps members help to create a technical infrastructure that links these organizations, and help provide a variety of technical and educational support services for these learning centers including: computer network installations & network maintenance; computer workstation troubleshooting & repair; telephone & remote diagnostic helpdesk services; deliver technology education programs for children, youth, and adults; and maintain The Academy's computer remanufacturing/recycling center refurbishes donated computers and places them into the disabled & disadvantaged communities served by the HelpTech AmeriCorps program. The majority of the program's AmeriCorps members come from these communities.

The Academy for Career Development

Next Steps

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5 Full-Time and 20 Half-Time Members

The Academy for Career Development's Next Steps program provides services using both FT and HT members. This program is focused on developing a transition plan for youth leaving State custody, building community connections for these youth (primarily via a gang prevention agency), and providing a mentoring relationship for these youth when they return to the community. The goal of this program is to reduce recidivism, and build opportunities for the youth to have a successful transition back into their communities, and into adulthood. The program proposes to do the following: (1) Use The Nazareth College Transition Planning Program to develop a transition plan while the youth are still in custody; (2) Connect these youth to the Pathways to Peace program, who will assist their transition into the community; and, (3) Connect these youth to a mentor from the local college.

The Institute for Human Services, Inc.

AmeriCorps Kids First Initiative

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25 Full-time Members and 6 Half-time Members

AmeriCorps members serve in one of 21 human service agencies or schools to address the needs of children and families. Examples include: work with children of victims of domestic violence; provide youth with positive role models and alternative activities through tutoring, mentoring, and planned activities; assist youth regarding crisis intervention, abuse, and neglect; encourage youth volunteerism; plan recreational activities; support and assist young people with educational issues.

Monroe Community College

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33 Full-time Members

AmeriCorps members are placed at a variety of community-based organizations to expand and enhance public safety and youth development services in the Rochester community. Members deliver prevention and intervention services, engage children and youth in positive developmental and community service activities, and develop and implement initiatives addressing public safety and community criminal justice issues. Projects include student support initiatives, after-school programs, street outreach, victim assistance, child safety programming, and involvement of youth and other community volunteers in service projects. Member development through service learning is also a major emphasis of the program.

Wayne County Action Program, Inc.

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5 Full-time, 8 Half-time, 6 Reduced Half-time, 2 Quarter-time and 4 Minimum-time Members

The AmeriCorps Mentoring and Peer Service (MAPS) program develops members in the areas of citizenship, leadership and mentoring. Host sites include numerous programs and school districts throughout the county. To reduce the negative impact of poverty, low-literacy, transience and social isolation, members mentor at-risk individuals by providing beneficial role modeling, educational support, cultural enrichment and positive socialization skill building. The program will expand their mentoring model by engaging baby boomers to provide mentoring to homeless individuals in the county to provide non-judgmental mentoring in the areas of budgeting, education, job skills and the search for safe/affordable housing.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Syracuse Region Program Listing

Catholic Charities of Onondaga County

Catholic Charities AmeriCorps Program

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7 Full-time Members and 25 Minimum-time Members

The Catholic Charities AmeriCorps Program focuses on three areas; literacy, involving youth in community service, and nutrition. All activities are based at Catholic Charities' Neighborhood Centers or at Catholic Charities meal sites. In the literacy component, members are working with elementary age youth to increase the amount of time that children spend reading, as well as to increase children's enjoyment of reading. Teens are the target population for the community service initiatives, and the members are providing opportunities for teens to help others in the community. The nutrition component focuses on ensuring that children, teens and senior citizens receive healthy meals and snacks throughout the year at the Catholic Charities sites.

Oswego City-County Youth Bureau

Oswego AmeriCorps

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20 Half-time and 17 Summer Part-time Members

AmeriCorps members serve youth and families throughout Oswego County at schools, recreation programs, libraries and community based organizations. Members mentor youth, provide out of school activities, and manage volunteers at youth programs and community service projects.

Cattaraugus County Youth Bureau

Start – Southern Tier AmeriCorps Resource Team

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12 Full-time, 6 Part-time and 25 minimum time-members

The Cattaraugus County Youth Bureau's AmeriCorps program operates in partnering schools, and AmeriCorps members serve to mentor, and act as role models to "at risk" students. If students are at risk of academic failure, academic assistance is provided through AmeriCorps or peer tutoring. Independent living skills are also emphasized and these services are provided on an as needed basis. Additionally, students at risk of academic failure receive academic assistance through AmeriCorps or peer tutoring. The program's activities also include: community outreach and service (mobilizing more volunteers and engaging students in their local communities); conflict resolution; mediation; recreational activities; independent living skills classes; and training opportunities.

Rural Health Network

Rural Health Service Corps

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15 Full-time, 4 Part-time, 3 Quarter-time and 1 minimum-time member

Twenty-three AmeriCorps members of the Rural Health Service Corps (RHSC) will address the need to slow, and eventually reverse, increasing obesity rates and related chronic disease rates in the Southern Tier of New York State. The program also will address chronic disease management, especially for individuals without health insurance. AmeriCorps members will serve directly with the Rural Health Network or be placed in multiple host sites throughout the service area which include the American Cancer Society, United Health Services' Stay Healthy Center in Johnson City, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tioga (CCE Tioga) County in Owego, Broome County Health Department Healthy Living Partnership Program, and Central New York Area Health Education Center (CNY AHEC) in Cortland, N.Y. to implement three primary strategies to prevent and manage obesity-related chronic disease.

SUNY Research Foundation at SUNY Cortland

SUNY Cortland AmeriCorps

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10 Full-time, 1 Part-time, 2 Quarter-time members

The State University of New York at Cortland (SUNY Cortland) places AmeriCorps members with ten partner agencies located within Cortland County to mobilize community volunteers and to engage college students from SUNY Cortland to address community needs in the areas of children and youth, organizational capacity building, and economic development in Cortland County. These partnerships include Cortland City Youth Bureau; Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cortland County; Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau; Cortland County Soil and Water Conservation District; Cortland County Youth Bureau; Downtown Business Partnership; Family Counseling Services; Lime Hollow Nature Center; Seven Valleys Health Coalition; and the YWCA.

As part of a coordinated network, AmeriCorps members will actively help coordinate other critical areas by connecting youth to community resources and teach job skills; partner with adults to plan healthy community activities and events for an after-school 4-H Club; improve a new community garden, perform educational outreach and implementing natural resources programs, coordinate and lead a summer recreation program; work with high school students on a community revitalization project; mentor youth through the Youth Assist Program in order to prevent substance abuse; and assist in providing quality environmental education and outdoor recreation experiences for children and adults.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Yonkers Region Program Listing

Family Service of Westchester, Inc.

AmeriCorps Future Leaders Program

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15 Full-Time Members and 19 Part-time Members

Family Services of Westchester (FSW) AmeriCorps Future Leaders program focuses on education, and its goal is to improve academic performance. AmeriCorps members provide one-on-one academic support, literacy skill-building activities and homework assistance to elementary, middle school and pre-school students in the three target communities of Port Chester, Mt. Vernon and White Plains.

Ramapo for Children

Future Leaders in Youth Development

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10 Full-time members

Ramapo for Children's Future Leaders in Youth Development program will offer school year retreats and summer camping programs to youth at-risk and with special needs. AmeriCorps members will receive training in working with youth at-risk and with emotional, learning, and behavioral needs, as well as training in leading adventure-based programs. Members will facilitate day and overnight programs for participants in order to provide educational and recreational experiences. As a result of this AmeriCorps program, participants will build social and learning competencies, and members will be prepared to enter youth service occupations and serve as volunteers.

Rockland County Youth Bureau

Rockland County AmeriCorps

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12 Quarter-time and 45 Summer Members

Rockland County AmeriCorps (RCA) has three programmatic goals: to promote environmental stewardship, to instill school readiness skills and a love of learning in children and to encourage volunteerism and civic engagement in the community. Members can opt to join the Literacy Corps, which is a 450-hour commitment throughout one year, or the Environmental Corps, which is a 300-hour commitment throughout the summer. RCA facilitates a comprehensive training curriculum for each Corps as well as several community-building events such as National Trails Day, the Student Land Use Symposium and the Bookshelf Project.

AmeriCorps*State Programs

Statewide Program Listing

Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc

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245 Part-time Members

Jumpstart is working toward the day every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. To achieve this, Jumpstart recruits, trains and pairs college students as part-time AmeriCorps members for one-to-one attention to preschool children. Using research-backed curriculum and intensive one-to-one adult-child interaction, Jumpstart helps preschool children build language and literacy, social, and initiative skills - skills that provide the necessary groundwork for later academic and social success. In New York, Jumpstart partners with Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, LeMoyne College in Syracuse, University of Rochester, Barnard College and Pace University in New York City. To learn more, visit www.jstart.org.

National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)

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32 Full-time, 12 Half-time, and 8 Quarter-time Members

Community HealthCorps is the nation's largest health-focused AmeriCorps program, and is sponsored by the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) in partnership with 38 program sites in 21 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. In 1994, NACHC established Community HealthCorps with the mission of improving health care access and enhancing workforce development through community health center sponsored AmeriCorps and related programs. Members volunteer for 1-2 years, during which time they provide services that benefit the medically underserved, low-income individuals that lack access to a regular source of primary health care. While serving, members are being prepared for careers in health care and human services. In New York State, members focus on the following objectives: (1) increase access to primary and preventive health care, (2) improve utilization of health care resources, (3) provide health education and case management services, and (4) recruit volunteers that expand the capacity of community health centers. Members provide outreach to New York State children and youth through enrollment and referral to Child Health Plus and other health insurance programs.

Phoenix House of New York, Inc.

Phoenix House AmeriCorps

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17 Full-time and 3 Half-time Members

AmeriCorps program is a collaboration of substance abuse treatment and prevention programs across New York State that sponsor AmeriCorps members to help communities address the issues of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use concerns. The program serves those individuals with needs for substance abuse counseling. AmeriCorps members perform the following community services: counseling, educational seminars, conduct intake/assessment /screening interviews, coordinate recreation and socialization activities, provide housing assistance, prepare and monitor treatment plans, and other assignments. AmeriCorps members are assigned to a variety of substance abuse services organizations in NYS to assist in reducing their community's drug and alcohol abuse and its related health problems.

Phoenix House of New York, Inc.

Youth Power Mentoring Corps

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41 Full-time Members

The Youth Power Mentoring Corps is a collaboration of youth organizations, mentoring programs, and drug prevention programs across New York State that sponsor AmeriCorps members at their sites to help the children and youth in high-risk communities to reach their fullest potential in a drug free environment. The program promotes personal and social responsibility among children and youth, provides valuable community resources information to youth and their families, increases academic performance and school participation through homework assistance by the mentors, discourages the use of illegal drugs and firearms, and discourages gang affiliations. AmeriCorps members conduct monthly workshops for parents to teach them the signs of drug abuse, gang involvement, and other risk behaviors, as well as, be provided with helpful community resources information. Each of the 50 AmeriCorps members provides one-to-one mentoring to 5 youths/mentees for at least 8 hours a month, and facilitates evidence-based prevention programs such as Life Skills Training to additional youth through group mentoring in weekly workshops and learning activities.

SEEDCO

AmeriCorps Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

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20 Full-time Members

The AmeriCorps Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (A-VITA) enlists AmeriCorps members to mobilize volunteers to help poor working families access free tax preparation services and other income enhancing/work supports through Seedco's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). Members develop community outreach strategies to increase awareness of volunteer income tax preparation services; recruit and mobilize volunteers to provide critical outreach, intake, and follow-up services to clients; provide direct tax preparation services to low-income earners; and augment free tax preparation services through the design and implementation of benefit management strategies that successfully re-engage clients, and connect clients to additional benefits and work supports.

20 Full-time Members

Self-Advocacy Association of NYS, Inc.

Our Experience is the Best Teacher

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2 Full-time Members, 12 Part-time Members and 16 Quarter Time Members

AmeriCorps members teach disability awareness education to students, teachers, and staff of organizations supporting people with disabilities and members of community organizations. Members serve in teams placed geographically in this statewide project teaching people with disabilities the basic skills of self-advocacy, which means speaking for yourself and others, and, providing disability awareness training for people without disabilities. In addition to educational activities, team members participate in neighborhood strengthening projects with local community organizations.

Student Conservation Association (SCA)

SCA New York AmeriCorps

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22 Full-time Members and 10 Half-time Members

Student Conservation Association New York AmeriCorps members complete critical, hands-on environmental conservation and historic preservation service projects, while engaging community residents to become active and educated conservation stewards. Partner agency sites are located throughout the Adirondack Park, Hudson Valley and New York City. Members receive extensive training and professional development during their service. Projects include community and neighborhood environmental service projects, backcountry conservation projects, trail reconstruction/maintenance, and youth leadership programs.