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AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, gives citizens the opportunity to engage in full or part-time service to their community. Working through a grassroots network of more than 1,000 national and local nonprofit and faith-based organizations, AmeriCorps members serve communities and address local environmental, educational, public safety, homeland security, or other human needs to make communities stronger.

AmeriCorps members help solve problems and make communities stronger. Working with national, state, and local nonprofit organizations, AmeriCorps members recruit and train volunteers, tutor and mentor at-risk youth, make schools and neighborhoods safer, build and rehabilitate homes, clean rivers and restore parks, help seniors live independently, provide health care in underserved rural and Native American communities, and provide emergency and long-term assistance to victims of natural disasters, among other things. AmeriCorps members serve in communities across America, in both urban and rural areas.

Federal funding priorities for the 2010-11 program year include: education, healthy futures, clean energy/environment, veterans and opportunity, as described in the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act (2009) and the 2010-11 New York State AmeriCorps\*State Request for Proposals.

#### Becoming a Member

An individual must be a U.S. citizen, national, or legal permanent resident alien of the U.S. to be an AmeriCorps member. An individual must be at least 17 years old, although some service opportunities require an individual to be at least 18. For most programs there are no upper age limits. Some programs have specific skill requests in certain areas, and others look for a bachelor's degree or a few years of related volunteer/job experience. For others, an individual's motivation and commitment may be the primary requirement.

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: <http://www.newyorkersvolunteer.ny.gov/NationalService/Map.aspx?programType=ACSP> and contact the programs they are interested in directly for additional information, application, and program start dates.

#### AmeriCorps Education Award

Full-time AmeriCorps members perform 1700 hours of service and upon completion earn an education award of \$4,725 (Members serving in 2010-11 receive an Ed Award of \$5,350). Full-time AmeriCorps members also receive a living allowance, are eligible for health insurance, and if income eligible, child care. Part-time members receive a pro-rated education award and 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 New York State Commission website at [www.NewYorkersVolunteer.ny.gov](http://www.NewYorkersVolunteer.ny.gov) or the national AmeriCorps website at [www.americorps.org](http://www.americorps.org).



The New York State Commission on National and Community Service is a Governor-appointed body of statewide leaders in the service industry established by Executive Order in 1994. The passage of the federal National and Community Service Trust Act in 1993 required all states to establish state commissions to receive federal funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service. The purpose of the funding was to enable states and programs authorized under the national service laws to build and reinforce a culture of service, citizenship and responsibility and to enable commissions to institute accountability and efficiency in the administration of national service programs. Furthermore, this would allow national and community service programs to be more responsive to State and local needs.

AmeriCorps\*State programs are managed by the State Commission which provides 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, Senior Corps, and Learn and Service 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.

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 38,000 students and program participants in New York State currently provide critical 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\*State Programs

## Albany Region Program Listing

### **Albany United Methodist Society**

#### ***AUMS AmeriCorps***

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5 Full-time, 12 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.

### **Albany United Methodist Society**

#### ***Recovery AUMS AmeriCorps***

15 Full-time, 13 Half-time and 4 Quarter-time Members

AUMS AmeriCorps hosts 15 full-time Members, 13 part-time Members and 4 quarter-time Members in leadership development at 12 service sites in Albany and Schenectady Counties. Members serve underprivileged youth ages 6-19 in out-of-school, homework, and literacy mentoring, organic gardening, and computer and music instruction. AUMS AmeriCorps also serves seniors and families with programming and food distribution as well as people infected and affected by HIV-AIDS, family Members of prisoners transitioning to re-entry, and arts programs and a job development program. All Members involve themselves in volunteer recruitment and community outreach, as well as monthly Member Development trainings and periodic service corps projects.

### **Troy Housing Authority**

#### ***Recovery THA AmeriCorps Program***

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8 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, including access to computers for web-based instruction, 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

### **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 agencies throughout Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties. AmeriCorps members serve as mentors, and act as positive role models to "at risk" individuals at the partnering schools or agencies where members serve. AmeriCorps members provide various services including academic assistance, independent living skills, baby think it over, conflict resolution, mediation, recreational activities, and community service opportunities. AmeriCorps members also provide community outreach and service (mobilizing more volunteers and engaging students in their local communities).

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

#### ***Buffalo LeaderShape AmeriCorps***

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

The Buffalo LeaderShape AmeriCorps program provides hope for a brighter future for youth in the West Side Federal Enterprise Community in Buffalo. Youth ages 17-24 have a chance to attain a GED while serving the entire Buffalo community. AmeriCorps members and program staff mobilize volunteers to tutor children and youth in schools and The Belle Center's Out-of-School Time community. Members and volunteers they recruit clean empty lots, plant flowers and vegetables in community gardens and eradicate graffiti in the Livable Communities effort. Members receive extensive training in life skills, CPR and First Aid as well as community and disaster relief. Each member will become a participant in BUFFALO LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE where they will develop an ethic of service and civic engagement along with skills for their future.

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

#### ***Recovery Buffalo LeaderShape AmeriCorps***

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

Recovery Buffalo LeaderShpae AmeriCorps members ages 17-80 or more will serve at The Belle Center, the premier community center in Buffalo and at partner community based organizations in the City of Buffalo. Members will increase organizational capacity of the partners at a time when non-profit budgets are constricting, allowing needed social services and education to be available for Buffalo's most needy. Members will mentor and tutor children and youth in literacy and numeracy, provide outreach for health and wellness and to needy seniors and make Buffalo a more livable community with neighborhood projects. Each member will be able to leave their year of national service with a seven certificate "Job Readiness Tool Lit" making them more attractive in a tough job market.

## **Genesee County Youth Bureau**

### ***Genesee County AmeriCorps***

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25 Half-time, 5 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.

## **Genesee County Youth Bureau**

### ***Recovery Genesee County AmeriCorps***

2 Full-time, 2 Half-time, 1 Reduced Half-time, 7 Minimum-time Members

Recovery Genesee County AmeriCorps will engage members in activities that address the current economic downturn. These additional members will augment our current program, which places members at a variety of host sites in the Genesee County area. Sites include schools, libraries, community centers, other county government departments and human service agencies. Member assignments vary by site but fall under the general categories of youth development/mentoring, volunteer recruitment and community outreach/public safety. The host sites selected for this enhancement are a mix of organizations currently hosting members and new agencies.

## **WNY AmeriCorps**

### ***AmeriCorps Builds Lives through Education (ABLE)***

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60 Full-time, 80 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 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 K-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.

## **WNY AmeriCorps**

### ***Recovery AmeriCorps Builds Lives through Education (ABLE)***

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40 Full-time, 100 Minimum-time Members

The ABLE recovery program is addressing the enduring need in the Buffalo region that has been exacerbated by the economic crisis. To contribute to solving problems created by the economic crisis, ABLE Recovery members will tutor students and will recruit community volunteers. Through this service, ABLE Recovery members will improve the educational achievement of students, allowing them to advance academically and ultimately be positioned for greater professional and financial success. Additionally, ABLE Recovery members will make students more interested in education. With education as a primary tool for reversing the effects of the current crisis, positive attitudes are among the steps necessary on that journey. Finally, the added capacity of additional volunteers will allow ABLE partners to provide services cut because of the strained economy, which will help to prevent out disadvantages citizens from paying the greatest price for our current state. The ABLE program's ability to offer members experience, a career path, a livable wage and potential for continued financial stability contributes to our historic surplus of candidates for each position.

## **WNY AmeriCorps**

### ***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, distributing food, recruiting additional volunteers, and promoting nutritional information at area food pantries.

## **WNY AmeriCorps**

### ***Recovery Western New York Service Corps***

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24 Full-time Members

The mission of the Recovery Western New York Service Corps is to serve as a continuation of its current programming, Western New York Service Corps, to alleviate some of the strain placed on low-income families due to the current economic crisis. Recovery Western New York Service Corps members will help to build the capacity of non-profit food pantries and soup kitchens, allowing these agencies to serve more low-income families, while also recruiting an intergenerational group of individuals to volunteer with these service providers.

# AmeriCorps\*State Programs

## New York City Program Listing

### **City Year**

#### **City Year New York**

#### **Recovery City Year New York – Match Only**

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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, after-school programs and volunteer generation. City Year corps members, who are diverse 17-24 year-olds, serve in schools from the first bell in the morning until the last child leaves the after-school program in the late afternoon. Together, they help students improve attendance, behavior and coursework. CYN Y seeks to field a corps of 234 members to improve reading and math skills for elementary and middle school children, boost their interest in learning, create after-school programming, and increase volunteering. Program will deliver targeted literacy tutoring; library enrichment programs; after-school programs for youth, which promote education and community involvement and volunteer opportunities for all New Yorkers.

### **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 corp of 21 members helps serve across communities in Brooklyn, focusing their efforts in the areas of education, environment, public safety, and human needs. The AmeriCorps LEAP, CCM advances its mission of empowering youth and adults 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-12 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.

## **Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS)**

### ***Recovery CHCANYS Community HealthCorps***

10 Full-time Members

The Recovery CHCANYS Community HealthCorps program expands services to Albany, Schenectady and Rensselaer Counties in New York. The program addresses the need to engage a larger number of low-income individuals who fail to access primary health care in an effective or a timely fashion due to financial barriers, inadequate health-related knowledge, skills and many other personal, community and cultural/linguistic factors.

The main focus of the service activities is on increasing enrollment in health care services and appropriate health insurance programs; enhancing patient utilization of health care services/ and improving outcomes through patient education.

## **Fund for the City of New York**

### ***Red Hook Community Justice Center***

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36 Full-time and 28 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, assisting teachers in local public schools, and growing community gardens.

## **Grand Street Settlement**

### ***Grand Street Settlement Community Builders***

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40 Part-time Members

AmeriCorps members serve in various sites throughout Grand Street Settlement, mostly, but not entirely, limited to the Lower East Side of Manhattan. Members focus on the initiatives of school success, school readiness, school safety and community collaboration, serving the children, youth, seniors and families of the community. Grand Street is an AmeriCorps program with strong community linkages. The program provides quality support and guidance to children and youth, by linking the school environment with after-school programming. Services and activities include after-school programs, which provide 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 interested in becoming auxiliary police. Throughout the year, AmeriCorps members sponsor community service projects and special events that inspire community collaboration and generate volunteerism of all ages in the neighborhood.

## **Grand Street Settlement**

### ***Recovery Grand Street Settlement Community Builders***

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20 Part-time Members

As part of the stimulus package, AmeriCorps Recovery programs are focused on stimulating the local economy and members are recruited to provide support services in existing AmeriCorps program grantees such as Grand Street Settlement. Grand Street's AmeriCorps Recovery members serve in various sites throughout the Grand Street Settlement, mostly, but not entirely, limited to the Lower East Side of Manhattan. They focus on enhancing Grand Street's existing programs specifically those that focus on initiatives of family development and community collaboration, servicing all family members (the children, youth and seniors) of the communities we serve. The members of the AmeriCorps program provide quality support to all Grand Street programs ranging from administrative, programmatic and operational duties. AmeriCorps Recovery members come with professional and educational expertise that enhance the services Grand Street Settlement provides.

## **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.

## **Groundwork**

### ***Recovery Groundwork AmeriCorps Program***

6 Full-time, 2 Half-time, 8 Reduced half-time and 10 Quarter-time members

Groundwork, Inc., working in partnership with local public schools and numerous community partners, as well as with volunteers who were recruited to serve as tutors, will support the program's pre-existing year round and summer academies for at-risk elementary and middle school youth; college preparation program for high school youth as well as offer employment, financial literacy, housing assistance, healthcare access, and public benefits advocacy program for adults. Groundwork, Inc. will help low-income families receive critical services that will enable them to break the cycle of poverty.

## **Harlem Children's Zone**

### ***Harlem Children's Zone Peacemaker Program***

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99 Full-time Members and 16 Part-time Members

The Harlem Children's Zone (HCZ) AmeriCorps members serve with community stakeholders and HCZ staff in the Harlem Children's Zone Project, a neighborhood-based network of services. HCZ members work side-by-side with parents, teachers, principals, and community residents to build a community in Harlem that is a safe and healthy place to raise children.

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 HCZ who has asthma
- 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 State***

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Website: [www.jstart.org](http://www.jstart.org)

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 St. Johns University, New York University, CUNY, Barnard College and Pace University in New York City. To learn more, visit [www.jstart.org](http://www.jstart.org).

## **New York City Coalition Against Hunger**

### ***Anti Hunger and Empowerment Corps***

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2 Full-time and 24 Part-time Members

The New York City Coalition Against Hunger's AmeriCorps members work to strengthen New York City's severely under resourced feeding agencies. These 1,200 soup kitchens and food pantries are more dependent than ever on high-quality volunteer help and the technical and organizing assistance that the Members provide. Our AmeriCorps team focuses on three key issues: volunteer recruitment, nutrition education, and benefits outreach.

## **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 oasis of natural beauty required for physical and mental health.

The lead non-profit partner for Million Trees NYC to plant and care for one million new trees across the City, NYRP's AmeriCorps members focus on Trees for Public Health neighborhoods leading planting, stewardship and education programs for sustainable progress toward improving air-quality, contributing to neighborhood revitalization and delivering direct quality-of-life benefits to areas in need.

NYRP AmeriCorps members: teach environmental science and nutrition to youth from high poverty public schools; run fitness and good-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 public parks in northern Manhattan; serve as a catalyst for environmental stewardship and responsibility and raise volunteer awareness of urban environmental issues.

## **Pace University Center for Urban Education**

### ***Community and Volunteer Mobilization AmeriCorps (CVM) Homeland Security***

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1 Full-Time 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 and the impact of such disasters on Lower Manhattan and Chinatown. By focusing on adult education and training in public health and safety, English language literacy, technology and communication systems awareness, and the mobilization of local volunteers, CVM works to ready local communities to prepare for and cope with acts of terrorism and their aftermath and other crises that may affect public security and safety.

**Pace University Center for Urban Education**  
**Recovery Community and Volunteer Mobilization AmeriCorps (CVM)**  
1 Full-time, 30 Half-time and 25 Quarter-time Members

The Pace University Community and Volunteer Mobilization (CVM) AmeriCorps Recovery Grant deepens and expands the CVM program to organize volunteer and member resources to help the Lower Manhattan and Chinatown communities cope with the current economic crisis. In addition to strengthening existing programming, CVM Recovery provides for a new children and youth component that supports in-school and after-school programs for middle school and high school students, and capacity-building for non-profit and cultural organizations.

**Public Allies**

**Public Allies New York**  
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20 Full-time members

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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.

**Sunset Park Health Council/Lutheran Family Health Centers**  
**AmeriCorp/Reach Out and Read**

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20 Full-time and 5 Part-time Members

The Lutheran Family Health Centers and other major service providers – Center for Family Life in Sunset Park, Fifth Avenue Committee/Brooklyn Workforce Innovations, Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow, Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Development Corporation, and Turning Point; joined to form the Sunset Park Alliance for Youth. The organizations have aligned to combine their resources to deliver a “family systems” approach to address the unmet needs of youth, to help families become stronger and more self-sufficient and to enhance their ability to provide economic and emotional support for their children.

Thirty-nine AmeriCorps members, placed in the Alliance partner agencies, will increase access to services for Sunset Park youth and their families through outreach and advocacy, linking more youth to appropriate services such as vocational services, counseling, computer training, tutoring, General Educational Equivalency Diploma (GED) classes, youth development, mentoring and leadership opportunities. In an effort to break the intergenerational cycle of poverty, members will work closely with families, assisting them through enrollment/referral processes to access necessary health education and social services.

### **The After-School Corporation (TASC)**

#### ***Teach After 3 AmeriCorps Program***

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34 Half-time, 54 Reduced Half-time and 49 Quarter-time Members

### **The After-School Corporation (TASC)**

#### ***Recovery Teach After 3 AmeriCorps Program***

25 Half-time; 50 Reduced Half-time; 42 Quarter-time and 13 Minimum 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 on TA3 is on encouraging members to become NYC public school teachers through training and hand-on experience with children and in schools.

### **Yeshiva Kehilath Yaakov**

#### ***Community Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Project***

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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.

## **Yeshiva Kehilath Yaakov**

### ***Recovery Community Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Project***

12 Full-time Members

Yeshiva Kehilath Yakov will recruit 12 members who will be placed at YKY and Bnos Yakov Educational Center (BYEC) school sites. Members will provide tutoring and literacy education improving youth academic performance. Additionally, members will help to mobilize a pool of volunteers to expand community service projects. The YKY Recovery Americorps program will give the increasing number of newly unemployed community members, unemployed seniors, and students struggling to pay their way through higher education, an opportunity to receive basic stipends while participating in positive activities which expand their job experience and keep up their morale. New members will enable YKY to maintain after school service levels thus providing parents for a safe place for their children while they work or search for employment and simultaneously ensure a brighter future for the youngsters.

## AmeriCorps\*State Programs Long Island Region Program Listing

### **NYSARC INC, Nassau County Chapter**

#### ***NYSARC Adult Day Services Program***

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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

SUNY Stony Brook University 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 people in need. Participants address community needs in the following areas: health care, education, public safety, human services, and the environment. Members serve by performing tasks such as mentoring for at-risk youth, conducting hunger campaigns, working on environmental projects, leading community health campaigns, and responding to natural disasters by providing emergency relief for victims. Their activities focus also on meeting needs of vulnerable populations and communities during the current economic recession. AmeriCorps members learn new skills, acquire leadership experiences, and gain a sense of satisfaction from positively impacting the lives of others.

### **Research Foundation of SUNY (Stony Brook)**

#### ***Recovery AmeriCorps Volunteers for Community Service – Education Award Only Program***

20 Part-time Members

The 2009-2010 Recovery Act AmeriCorps VCS Program is a great opportunity for the Stony Brook University community to address the economic crisis on Long Island and in New York City. The Recovery AmeriCorps VCS Program is composed of 4 different teams focused on meeting needs of vulnerable populations and communities during the current economic recession. They will consist of: the Career Development AmeriCorps Team, the Health Literacy AmeriCorps Team, the Non-Profit Capacity Building AmeriCorps Team and the Volunteer Recruitment AmeriCorps Team. Members have many opportunities to participate in community service activities in nonprofit housing assistance programs, to respond to human needs with programs addressing homelessness awareness, health and outreach campaigns, and homelessness prevention programs as well as projects that protect children and promote healthy families.

## 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**

#### ***Recovery HelpTech AmeriCorps***

5 Full-time and 12 Part-time Members

Since the Information Technology (IT) and Computer related industries as well as customer service/helpdesk occupations are now listed by the NYS Department of Labor as "demand" occupations in the region that the HelpTech AmeriCorps program supports, the Recovery HelpTech AmeriCorps Program will be utilized to augment our efforts to assist poor, disabled, and low to moderate income families improve their lives through meaningful employment in these industries. We will accomplish this by augmenting our Community High Tech Employment Outreach programs and services with the addition of 5 Full-Time and 12 Part-Time AmeriCorps members funded through the recovery HelpTech AmeriCorps Program. Members will participate and assist in augmenting our community vocational programming and apprenticeships. They will also help increase the production of refurbished computer systems to be given to children youth and adults who graduate from these training programs, but also will sue them to create and augment old community and faith-based organizations who are part of the community learning center network that provides the training.

### **The Academy for Career Development**

#### ***Next Steps***

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5 Full-Time and 20 Part-Time Members

The Next Step AmeriCorps program focuses on developing and implementing a transition plan for youth leaving State custody at the OCFS Industry School in Rush, New York, building community connections for these youth, and providing a mentoring relationship for these youth when they return to the community. The Project will place a full-time AmeriCorps member in strategically located community Organizations each within one of the city of

Rochester's four quadrants to which Industry students return. Trained, Full-Time AmeriCorps members will help recruit Part-time AmeriCorps members living in these quadrant neighborhoods. These members will be trained in mentoring Industry school youth and other high-risk youth by OCFS Industry School, Pathways to Peace (a gang intervention agency), and Human Services and Service Learning Departments from local colleges. Each Industry School youth, while in facility, will develop a transition plan through the Nazareth College Transition Planning Program and their Part-Time AmeriCorps Member Mentors.

Upon returning to the community, each Industry youth will be connected to the neighborhood-based, full-time NextStep AmeriCorps members and their individual effective community connections to the resources referenced in their Transition Plan Goals including those for Career Planning, Education & Training, Mobility, Social Relationships, Recreation, Personal Health, and Self-Advocacy. The goal of the NextStep AmeriCorps program is to reduce recidivism, and build opportunities for the youth to have a successful transition back into their communities and into adulthood.

## **The Academy for Career Development**

### ***Recovery Next Steps***

5 Full-Time and 12 Part-Time Members

Youth participating in the NextStep Program requiring a continuum of mental health care often receive inadequate treatment and uncoordinated or conflicting Mental Health Services. Lack of appropriate treatment not only allows for higher recidivism rates, but also causes many individuals to deliberately return to institutions where they were actually receiving some type of care for their health problems. Furthermore, these youth with mental health disorders who do not have access to treatment may suffer from a diminished capacity to respond to others (such as authority figures/police officers), and may experience a worsening of the mental health condition overall, which may lead to increased recidivism. We have found that our current NextStep AmeriCorps program activities have revealed a greater need to address the Transition Plan's health issues that could be met with the addition of AmeriCorps members and staff provided through the Recovery NextStep AmeriCorps Program. The addition of a professional in general and mental health, and 5 Full-Time and 12 Part-Time additional members, will allow us to meet these issues by:

1. Developing a strategy that will create members and volunteers as health care advocates for post-incarcerated youth. Advocates will help coordinate efforts by the Industry School, Aftercare and Evening Reporting Center, and community & institutional health resources to obtain the types of health care services (including mental health) required by these youth.
2. Help provide community educational programming to community/neighborhood resources, schools, and families that will:
  - Increase their awareness about the importance of protecting and nurturing the mental health of young people.
  - Foster recognition that many children have mental health problems that are real, painful, and sometimes severe.
  - Encourage caregivers to seek early, appropriate treatment and services.
3. Work with the post-incarcerated youths' families and schools to help insure the continuity and compliance of treatment prescribed for the youth.

## **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.

### **The Institute for Human Services, Inc.**

#### ***Recovery AmeriCorps Kids First Initiative***

2 Full-time Members

Using one-time recovery/Stimulus funding, The Institute for Human Services placed 2 additional members in the local community. One member will conduct intakes and determine needs and will provide appropriate assistance and referrals to individuals and families in need at the (Catholic Charities) Samaritan Center, an anti-poverty center. Many families and individuals in the program area have been negatively affected by the economic downturn, and may require short-term emergency assistance to help them “get back on their feet again”. One of the Institute’s AmeriCorps members assists in providing needed help in the form of assisting an individual or family in seeking food, shelter, clothing, transportation, heating subsidies, food stamps, or mentoring/referrals for job counseling. The Other full-time member will be placed at an area summer camp working with low-income youth.

### **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.

### **Legal Assistance of Western New York**

#### ***Recovery Access to Justice AmeriCorps Program***

17 Full-time Members

The Recovery Access to Justice AmeriCorps Program engages members in efforts to stimulate the economy through the expansion of resources available to provide civil legal services to low-income and disadvantages individuals and families in 14 upstate counties. Members work in seven established legal aid offices across the entire service area. Their intended impact is to address the legal problems and needs resulting from the economic crisis including home foreclosures and housing assistance, health care access and delivery, public benefits and employment related issues. Each of these activities will assist clients in surviving the recession by increasing the immediate income of poor families, keeping them in their homes or improving their health and employment prospects.

## **Monroe Community College**

### ***Rochester AmeriCorps***

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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, youth development, and job training services in the Rochester community. Members deliver prevention and intervention services, engage children and youth in positive developmental and community service activities, provide employment training, 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.

## **Monroe Community College**

### ***Recovery Rochester AmeriCorps***

8 Full-time, 1 Quarter-time, 24 Minimum-time Members

Recovery Rochester AmeriCorps members are placed at a variety of community-based organizations to provide employment skills training and counseling and to build service capacity. The program includes 25 summer members and eight full-time, full-year members. Projects include expanding after-school programming, working with ex-offenders, and developing a new program for women at risk of incarceration. Member development through service learning is also a major emphasis of the program.\

## **Wayne County Action Program, Inc.**

### ***AmeriCorps Mentoring and Peer Services***

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4 Full-time, 8 Half-time, 6 Reduced Half-time, 2 Quarter-time, 4 Minimum-time, 6 Ed Award Only 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 key to AmeriCorps member service is in providing non-judgmental mentoring in the areas of budgeting, education/job skills, parenting, recreation and the search for safe/affordable housing. Starting in 2010 AmeriCorps MAPS has partnered with Finger Lakes Community College to provide 6 Education Award Only opportunities where members will be able to serve at the Canandaigua Veteran's Hospital. thus expanding our service delivery to our country's veterans and into Ontario County.

**Wayne County Action Program, Inc.**  
***Recovery AmeriCorps Mentoring and Peer Services***  
12 Full time members

AmeriCorps Mentoring and Peer Services provides support to Wayne County residents in need of tutoring, recreation, housing, parenting education and more. Wayne County non-profits have been unable to expand services to accommodate the increase in demand resulting from our current economic situation. AmeriCorps MAPS members enrolled under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funding will serve to Expand Non-Profit Capacity and mobilize additional volunteers. Duties include a combination of Administrative responsibilities, outreach and service delivery. ARRA members will be serving at Cornell Cooperative Extension, Workforce Development, Youth and Family Intervention Program, the Lyons Main Street Program, Literacy Volunteers and more. ARRA members earn a weekly living allowance and upon successful completion an Educational Award. Additionally ARRA Members are also provided with development in the areas of citizenship, leadership and mentoring.

# AmeriCorps\*State Programs

## Syracuse Region Program Listing

### **Catholic Charities of Onondaga County**

#### ***Recovery Catholic Charities AmeriCorps Program***

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5 Full-time; 2 Half-time; and 10 Minimum-time Members

Minimum-time members serve in after-school youth programs, with a focus on Literacy. Catholic Charities operates 5 after-school programs in Syracuse, each in a distinct neighborhood with critical needs that have been impacted by the current economic crisis. Members strive to make reading fun for participating youth, seeking to increase the amount of time each child spends reading throughout the week. Ultimately, the program aims to improve children's reading ability leading to improved academic performance in school.

### **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.

### **Oswego City-County Youth Bureau**

#### ***Recovery Oswego AmeriCorps***

2 Full-time; 20 Half-time and 20 Summer Part-time Members

To address Oswego County's high unemployment rate, AmeriCorps members serve residents by providing non-profit capacity building and employment skills training. Some members will provide mentoring to youth and out-of-school activities. Sites include schools, recreation programs and community-based organizations.

### **Rural Health Network**

#### ***Rural Health Service Corps***

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12 Full-time, 10 Part-time, 3 Quarter-time and 1 Minimum-Time member

The mission of the Rural Health Network of South Central New York (RHNSCNY) is to promote and improve the health of rural communities and strengthen each community's capacity to respond to health needs by reducing barriers and improving access and use of health and human services through advocacy, communication and partnerships. The Rural Health Service Corps provides meaningful service and learning opportunities for young people committed to improving the health and lives of those living in South Central New York State. The Rural Health Service Corps has members serving in Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Otsego and Tioga County with organizations who are addressing issues of obesity, chronic disease and health care access in this region.

## **Rural Health Network**

### ***Recovery Rural Health Service Corps***

2 Full-time; 5 Part-time; 7 Minimum-time Members

The mission of the Rural Health Network of South Central New York (RHNSCNY) is to promote and improve the health of rural communities and strengthen each community's capacity to respond to health needs by reducing barriers and improving access and use of health and human services through advocacy, communication and partnerships. The Rural Health Service Corps provides meaningful service and learning opportunities for young people committed to improving the health and lives of those living in South Central New York State. Through the Recovery Grant, the RHSC has provided seven young people from our region with summer service opportunities with a living allowance and an education award with more members to be placed this fall. In addition, in a time of economic challenges, we are providing nine local organizations with the additional resources provided by our RHSC members.

## **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 Center for Environment and Culture; 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 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***

#### ***Recovery Future Leaders in Youth Development – Match Only***

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10 Full-time members (February – November) and 8 quarter time members (summer)

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

## **Rockland County Youth Bureau**

### ***Recovery Rockland County AmeriCorps***

10 Quarter-time and 10 Minimum-time Members

The Rockland County Youth Bureau program uses members who serve over the Summer to provide restoration, conservation, and environmental stewardship activities. In addition, this program uses members to provide literacy assistance services and activities to at-risk youth and immigrant populations throughout the year.

The Recovery Corps will be comprised of Rockland residents age 17 and up who have been downsized, laid off or are in need of immediate employment. A secondary focus will be youth and recent college graduates not only in need of employment but also in need of skills, experience and networking opportunities. Members receive job skills training or re-training and are placed at non-profit or municipal agencies. This will include, but is not limited to; social service, housing, career counseling and health care agencies, food banks, libraries, parks and related organizations in dire need of assistance.

# AmeriCorps\*State Programs

## Statewide Program Listing

### **American Red Cross in New York State**

#### ***State Preparedness Corps***

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24 Full-time and 4 Part-time Members

In accordance with the mission of the American Red Cross, AmeriCorps State members serving with our program will focus their efforts on helping individuals and communities prepare for, prevent and respond to disaster situations. Through direct service activities, our AmeriCorps team will seek to increase access to critical preparedness and life saving training, engage communities in volunteer activities and create a culture of preparedness in communities across New York.

### **National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)**

#### ***Community Health Corps***

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37 Full-time and 12 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 37 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. Across the country, Community HealthCorps 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 children and youth through enrollment and referral to Child Health Plus and other health insurance programs.

Community HealthCorps program sites in New York State include:

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**Lutheran Family Medical Center**

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**Open Door Family Medical Center**

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**Ryan/Chelsea-Clinton Community Health Center**

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**Syracuse Community Health Center**

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**Phoenix House of New York, Inc.**

***Recovery Phoenix House AmeriCorps***

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18 Full-time and 4 Half-time Members

The Phoenix House AmeriCorps program is a collaboration of substance abuse service programs in New York State that help their communities address the issues of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use concerns. The members serve individuals in the community with needs for substance abuse services. AmeriCorps members perform a wide range of community services such as assisting Qualified Health Care professionals in counseling, providing educational seminars, and conducting intake/assessment/screening interviews. Some members coordinate recreation and socialization activities while others provide housing assistance, prepare and monitor treatment plans, and other assignments. Our AmeriCorps members are assigned to a variety of substance abuse services organizations in New York State 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**  
**Recovery Youth Power Mentoring Corps – Match Only**

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41 Full-time Members

The Youth Power Mentoring Corps is a collaboration of youth-based 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 the youth, provides valuable community resource information to youth and their families, increases academic performance and school participation through homework assistance by the members, discourages the use of illegal drugs and firearms, and discourages gang affiliations. AmeriCorps members conduct monthly community outreach events to educate the local community's residents about the signs of drug abuse, gang involvement, and other risk behaviors, as well as provide helpful community resource information. Each of the 31 AmeriCorps members provides one-to-one mentoring to youth/mentees and facilitates evidence-based prevention programs such as Life Skills Trainings.

**SEEDCO**

**AmeriCorps Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program**  
**Recovery AmeriCorps Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program – Match Only**

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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.

## **Self-Advocacy Association of NYS, Inc.**

### ***Our Experience is the Best Teacher***

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2 Full-time and 20 Part-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 [provide extensive environmental education to children, families and individuals; as well as](#) 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.

## **Student Conservation Association (SCA)**

### ***Recovery SCA New York AmeriCorps***

14 Full-time and 20 Half-time Members

Through the Recovery Grant, the SCA NY AmeriCorps program will expand its membership by 14 Full-time members and 20 half time members who will meet critical unmet needs of the community. In addition to the conservation goals in the above description, this grant will allow the program to support 5 non-profit environmental organizations in the region and will focus on volunteer recruitment. Through a partnership with the Department of Environmental Conservation, 6 of the full time members will lead their After School Conservation Club which provides place based environmental education to school aged children living in inner cities and areas that face environmental injustices.