AMERICORPS MEMBER APPLICATION

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PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

• This application may be used to apply for AmeriCorps State and National, AmeriCorps VISTA, AmeriCorps NCCC and FEMA Corps programs. However, if you are applying to an AmeriCorps State or National program, you should first check with the program to see if it requires additional or alternate forms. To determine specific application requirements, visit the AmeriCorps website at [AmeriCorps.gov](http://AmeriCorps.gov) or call 1-800-942-2677.

• If you're applying to more than one AmeriCorps program, complete the entire application except for question 11 and the final "Certification" Section. Make one copy of the application for each program. Then, answer question 11 and sign each copy separately before mailing.

• You may use additional sheets of paper to provide more detailed information that will not fit on this application form. Enclose everything in the final application packet that you submit.

• Two reference forms are enclosed in this packet. They are an important part of your application and must be submitted with your application. Your application cannot be considered without references. If you are applying to multiple programs and using the same person as a reference, please remind them to make multiple copies after completing the reference form.

• Make a copy of your application for your personal records before you send it in.

• Send your application to the right place. Please refer to the back cover for instructions.

• This publication is available upon request in alternative formats for people with disabilities. Call 1-800-942-2677; TTY: 1-800-833-3722.

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PERSONAL PROFILE

1. NAME: ____________________________________________
   LAST  FIRST  MIDDLE

2. AmeriCorps members must be a United States citizen, U.S. national or lawful permanent resident. Are you a United States citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident alien?  ■ Yes  ■ No
   If you are a lawful permanent resident alien and you received your card after January 1987, what is your registration number and card expiration date? ________________________________

3. FINAL FOUR NUMBERS OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: __________________________________________
   You will provide your full social security number later in the process.

4. DATE OF BIRTH: ____________________________
   MONTH/DAY/YEAR

5. PLACE OF BIRTH: ____________________________
   CITY/STATE/COUNTRY

6. GENDER:  ■ Male  ■ Female

7. Earliest date you are available to begin service: ____________________________
   MONTH/DAY/YEAR

8. CURRENT ADDRESS: All information will be sent to this address unless you notify us of a change.
   NUMBER AND STREET (IF POSSIBLE, INCLUDE A NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS WHEN USING A P.O. BOX)
   ______________________________________________________
   ______________________________________________________
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   CITY  STATE  ZIP CODE
   Home Phone (___) __________________ Work Phone (___) __________________
   Cell Phone (___) __________________ E-Mail __________________

9. Are you moving within the next six months?  ■ Yes  ■ No  If yes, when*? ____________________________
   *Please notify us of new address at time of move.
   MONTH/DAY/YEAR

10. EMERGENCY CONTACT/PERMANENT ADDRESS (if different than above): Please give the name and address of a person through whom you can always be reached:
    Name: ____________________________________________ Relationship: ____________________________
    FIRST  LAST
    ______________________________________________________
    ______________________________________________________
    ______________________________________________________
    ______________________________________________________

    CITY  STATE  ZIP CODE
    Home Phone (___) __________________ Work Phone (___) __________________
    Cell Phone (___) __________________ E-Mail __________________
11. Which AmeriCorps program are you applying to? Check only one. If you are applying to more than one AmeriCorps program, fill this in after you copy your application. Enter the program information on each application.

- **AmeriCorps State and National**
  Members who are over the age of 17 serve either in teams or individually through national and community-based private and public organizations. Members help solve community problems through direct and indirect service in the areas of disaster services, economic opportunity, education, environmental stewardship, healthy futures, and human needs, such as veterans and military families.

  **Program Name:** The Salvation Army

  **Program Address:** 699 Springfield Avenue Newark, NJ 07103

- **AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America)**
  Members who are at least 18 years old provide indirect service through private organizations and public nonprofit agencies, addressing issues related to poverty—such as financial security, homelessness and helping, disadvantaged youth, community development, and employment—by developing and mobilizing resources that create long-term sustainable benefits at a community level.

  **Program Name:**

  **Program Address:**

- **AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)**
  Members ages 18 to 24 serve in a 10-month team-based residential program to complete a variety of service projects in the areas of education, disaster services, the environment, and other unmet needs. Members often travel to projects throughout their region.

  - **Fall Class (September/October start dates)**
  - **Winter Class (January start dates)**

- **FEMA Corps a branch of AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps**
  Members ages 18 to 24 serve in a 10-month team-based residential program to complete projects in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. Members often travel to projects throughout their country.

  - **Fall Class (September/October start dates)**
  - **Winter Class (January start dates)**

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**EDUCATION**

12. Check the highest level of education that you will have completed by the time you are planning to serve in AmeriCorps. (Check only one.)

- **Some high school**
- **High school diploma or GED**
- **Technical school/Apprenticeship**
- **Associate's degree**
- **Some college**
- **Bachelor's degree**
- **Graduate degree**
- **Other (please specify):**
13. List all schools after high school that you have attended, including trade or technical schools, military training and employment training programs.

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14. Describe how you have reached out to help others and/or how you have been involved in your own community. Explain why you decided to serve or get involved, and what you received in return—that is, what you learned or how it made you feel. Think in broad terms. List your most recent activity first. Attach a separate sheet of paper if you need more space. (Your involvement could include serving in neighborhood, school, religious, social, professional, or other volunteer groups; helping out with community service projects; or participating in less formal activities.)

A. DATES OF INVOLVEMENT: From: ___________ To: ___________ Hours per mo.: ___________
   MONTH/YEAR      MONTH/YEAR

   Organization Name: ___________________ Location: ___________________ Phone: ___________

   Description of Involvement: ________________________________________________________________
   ____________________________________________________________________________________
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B. DATES OF INVOLVEMENT: From: ___________ To: ___________ Hours per mo.: ___________
   MONTH/YEAR      MONTH/YEAR

   Organization Name: ___________________ Location: ___________________ Phone: ___________

   Description of Involvement: ________________________________________________________________
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MOTIVATIONAL STATEMENT

15. We would like to understand more about you and your reasons for applying to AmeriCorps. Take a few minutes and consider those experiences which have made you the person you are today. Please share with us one of these experiences and how it sparked your interest in community service. If you need additional space, attach a separate piece of paper and limit your total response to 500 words.


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17. Explain any period of time greater than six months not accounted for by AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, work, school, or military service. Or, explain why you have no employment history.


### SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

18. Listed below are skill areas that some programs find useful and may seek in AmeriCorps applicants. Indicate the skill areas in which you have had training or experience, including volunteer or community service experience, and indicate how you gained those skills.

**EXAMPLE:** ☑ Public Speaking – Club President

- Architectural Planning
- Business/Entrepreneur
- Communications
- Community Org./Development
- Computers/Technology
- Conflict Resolution
- Counseling
- Education
- Fine Arts/Crafts
- First Aid
- Fundraising/Grant Writing
- Law
- Leadership
- Medicine
- Public Health
- Public Speaking
- Recruitment
- Teaching/Tutoring
- Trade/Construction
- Writing/Editing
- Youth Development
- Other (specify): ____________________
19. Do you know or have you studied any language(s) other than English?  □ Yes  □ No
Language(s): __________________________  Number of years studied or spoken: __________________________
Speaking Ability:  □ Poor  □ Fair  □ Good  □ Excellent
Writing Ability:  □ Poor  □ Fair  □ Good  □ Excellent

20. In the space below or on a separate sheet of paper, provide any additional skills and experience that may be helpful in evaluating your application, including other languages spoken.

________________________________________________________________________________________
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21. Do you have a valid driver’s license?  □ Yes  □ No License # __________________________ State ______
(This is a requirement for some AmeriCorps programs, but not all.)
CRIMINAL HISTORY

The AmeriCorps application process requires a criminal history check to ensure that community members with whom we work are protected, particularly children, individuals with disabilities, and individuals over 60 years old.

We will investigate for past sexual offenses and violent crimes, or crimes that would have a direct bearing on your service.

This background check will entail our search of the National Sex Offenders Registry and an FBI criminal history check, which will require your being fingerprinted at Pre-Service Orientation.

You will not be permitted to serve or work with children, individuals with disabilities, or individuals over 60 years of age, without supervision until the history check is complete and you are cleared. The review process is not lengthy, and normally is completed within weeks.

Answer the following questions fully. Existence of a criminal conviction or juvenile adjudication may or may not, depending on the circumstances, disqualify you from consideration. However, any intentional misrepresentation or omission will disqualify you. Do not include minor traffic violations.

☐ I allow the AmeriCorps program to complete an NSOPW check and criminal background check

22. Have you ever been convicted as an adult, or adjudicated as a juvenile offender, of any criminal offense by either a civilian or military court, other than minor traffic violations? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you currently facing charges for any offense or on probation or parole? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, skip to “Certification” below.

If you answered “yes” to any of the questions above, please provide the following information:

Date: ___________________________ Place: ___________________________

MONTH/DAY/YEAR CITY STATE

Charge: ___________________________

Action Taken: ___________________________

Court, Probation, or Parole Officer: ___________________________ Phone: (_____) _________

Name: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________

NUMBER AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

You may attach any additional information or explanation on a separate sheet.
CERTIFICATION

If you choose to submit a paper application, your application must be certified with your original signature in ink. If you are applying to more than one AmeriCorps program, make a copy for each program that you’re applying to first, and then sign each one.

By signing this application, or by submitting it electronically if applying on-line, I certify that all of the statements made in this application are true, correct, and complete, to the best of my knowledge, and are made in good faith. Misinformation or omission of information could result in disqualification or termination as an AmeriCorps member. If I am selected for participation in some AmeriCorps programs, including AmeriCorps NCCC, I may be required to submit to a physical examination, including drug or alcohol testing. Background and security checks may also be conducted by some programs.

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PRIVACY ACT NOTICE: The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C § 552a) requires that the following notice be provided to you: The authority for collecting information from you in this application is contained in 42 U.S.C. 12592 and 12615 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 as amended, and 42 U.S.C 4953 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 as amended. You are advised that submission of the information is entirely voluntary, but the requested information is required in order for you to participate in AmeriCorps programs. The principal purpose for requesting this personal information is to process your application for acceptance into an AmeriCorps program, and for other general routine purposes associated with your participation in an AmeriCorps program. These routine purposes may include disclosure of the information to federal, state, or local agencies pursuant to lawfully authorized requests, to present and former employers, references provided by you in your application, and educational institutions, for the purpose of verifying the information provided by you in your application. The information may be shared with other agencies, such as the Social Security Administration, through computer matching agreements for the purpose of verifying identity and citizenship status information provided by you in your application. In some programs, the information may also be provided to federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to determine the existence of any prior criminal convictions. The information may also be provided to appropriate federal agencies and Department contractors that have a need to know the information for the purpose of assisting the Department's efforts to respond to a suspected or confirmed breach of the security or confidentiality or information maintained in this system of records, and the information disclosed is relevant and necessary for the assistance. The information will not otherwise be disclosed to entities outside of AmeriCorps and the Corporation for National and Community Service without prior written permission.

SIGNATURE ____________________________________________ DATE __________

Print Name: __________________________________________

For Parent or Guardian of Applicants Under 18 Years of Age: I have reviewed this application and I authorize my son/daughter/legal ward to apply to AmeriCorps.

SIGNATURE ____________________________________________ DATE __________

NAME: ________________________________________________

RELATION: __________________________________________ Phone: (______) _______

ADDRESS ____________________________________________ CITY __________ STATE __________ ZIP CODE __________

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OPTIONAL INFORMATION

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT AMERICORPS? You may check more than one.

- AmeriCorps representative
  (Service/career fair, conference, information session)
- Armed Forces
- Current or former AmeriCorps member
- Friend/Relative
- Internet/Listserv/E-mail
- Newspaper/Magazine advertisement
- Other service organization
- Radio story
- Television advertisement
- Poster at school
- College guidance office/Placement office
- Department of Education
- High school guidance counselor
- Newspaper/Magazine article
- Peace Corps
- Radio advertisement
- Received information in the mail
- Television news story
- Other (specify) ______________________

WHAT IS YOUR ETHNICITY? (optional) □ Hispanic or Latino □ Not Hispanic or Latino

WHAT IS YOUR RACE? (optional) Mark one or more:

- American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- Black or African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.