



A GAME-CHANGER FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

HOST AN AMERICORPS MEMBER TO HELP YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY

WHAT DOES AMERICORPS DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY?

Since 2007, the NoCO AmeriCorps Project has partnered with AmeriCorps to alleviate poverty in Weld County. In 2021 United Way of Larimer County joined the partnership, making AmeriCorps capacity more readily available throughout northern Colorado. AmeriCorps members through the NoCO AmeriCorps Project commit a year of full-time service to build capacity for local organizations who fight illiteracy, improve health services, foster economic development and assist

low-income communities. Agencies that have full-year AmeriCorps members are also eligible to host Summer Associates who serve 10-week terms doing direct service. The NoCO AmeriCorps Project 2007-Present:

- 200+ individuals have served
- 50+ host site agencies
- \$6,000,000+ in cash and in-kind resources raised
- 77,000+ community volunteers mobilized



WHAT CAN AN AMERICORPS MEMBER DO FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION?

Our AmeriCorps members commit to serve fulltime for one year on a specific project at a nonprofit organization or public agency. Organizations may host an AmeriCorps member for up to three consecutive years. Examples of appropriate capacity building projects for members include:

- Create print and digital marketing content to enhance or develop public awareness.
- Develop assessment tools to assist with the organization in evaluating its programs.
- Work with the organization’s staff to expand a current program or start a new program.
- Assist in writing grants and fundraising.
- Assist staff in planning and implementing a new fundraising special event.



“The AmeriCorps program through United Way of Weld County has moved our little nonprofit giving garden from a volunteer-run agency that worked with our local school, to a garden with year-round staff that not only gives away over a ton of food each year but also runs summer camps and after-school programming for local children. The addition of Summer Associate members has made it possible for us to run our summer camp program at a cost that is affordable for even the lowest income families. We are so grateful to United Way of Weld County and AmeriCorps for supporting us in serving the needs of our community!”

*Eileen Bisgard, Board President
Brigit’s Bounty Community Resources*

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WHAT WILL THE NOCO AMERICORPS PROJECT DO FOR YOU?

The NoCO AmeriCorps Project secures its members through a federal grant program. By partnering with our project, agencies bypass the headache of federal grant management and reap the benefits of hosting an AmeriCorps member. As an intermediary, the NoCO AmeriCorps Project offers to host sites:

- Outreach, recruitment, and first interviews
- Member onboarding and orientation
- Regular support and site visits from VISTA Leaders
- Ongoing professional development
- Technical assistance to host site supervisors



HOW CAN MY ORGANIZATION BECOME A HOST SITE?

Who is Eligible to Sponsor AmeriCorps Members through the NoCO AmeriCorps Project?

- Public, Private & Faith-based nonprofits
- Local, State & Federal government agencies
- Serve low income individuals/families
- Larimer and/or Weld county service area

What is the Cost per Year?

Project host sites are required to provide a financial match, which covers a portion of the member's living allowance and contributes to the costs of running the program. The cost varies by the budget size of the organization. The host site must be able to provide direct supervision of the project and the AmeriCorps member.

"United Way's AmeriCorps support has helped Greeley-Weld Habitat for Humanity by improving our community engagement and communications which exponentially increases our outreach and capacity. The AmeriCorps program has been crucially important to our work to end poverty housing in Weld County. We are grateful for United Way of Weld County's partnership and investment to achieve this common goal of affordable home-ownership for hard-working, local families."



*Cheri Witt-Brown,
Executive Director
Greeley-Weld
Habitat for Humanity*

WHO ARE AMERICORPS MEMBERS AND WHAT DO THEY GET OUT OF SERVICE?

- Many AmeriCorps members serve because they are excited to make a difference, see another part of the United States, and develop their skills and experience.
- They may be local or from out of state.
- U.S. citizens, nationals, or lawful permanent resident aliens.
- 18 years or older; there is no maximum age limit.
- Members receive a modest living allowance, health coverage, childcare, and other benefits.
- Upon completing service, members receive a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award or a post-service stipend.

**There are many ways to grow your organization.
Find out which opportunity is right for you.**

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"Families have been so happy and eager to learn while attending monthly Families Investigating Science at Home events. Not only have I received a great response from households, but also from the community when they learn about opportunities to volunteer. Serving at the Poudre Learning Center really has made me feel like I've made a difference in this community and this program."

*Roxanne Bumgardner,
Poudre Learning
Center
2018 Governor's
Service Awards
Outstanding
VISTA Member
Recipient*

