



INFORMATION SESSION



VISTA
Volunteers In Service To America

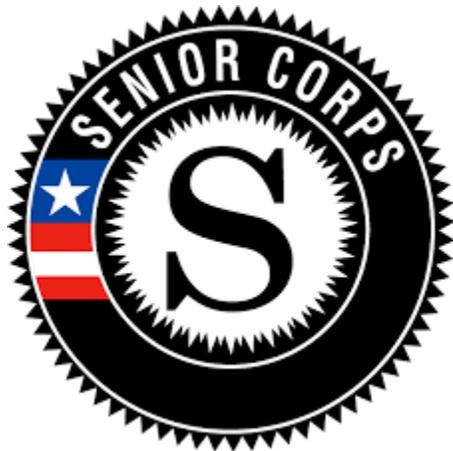
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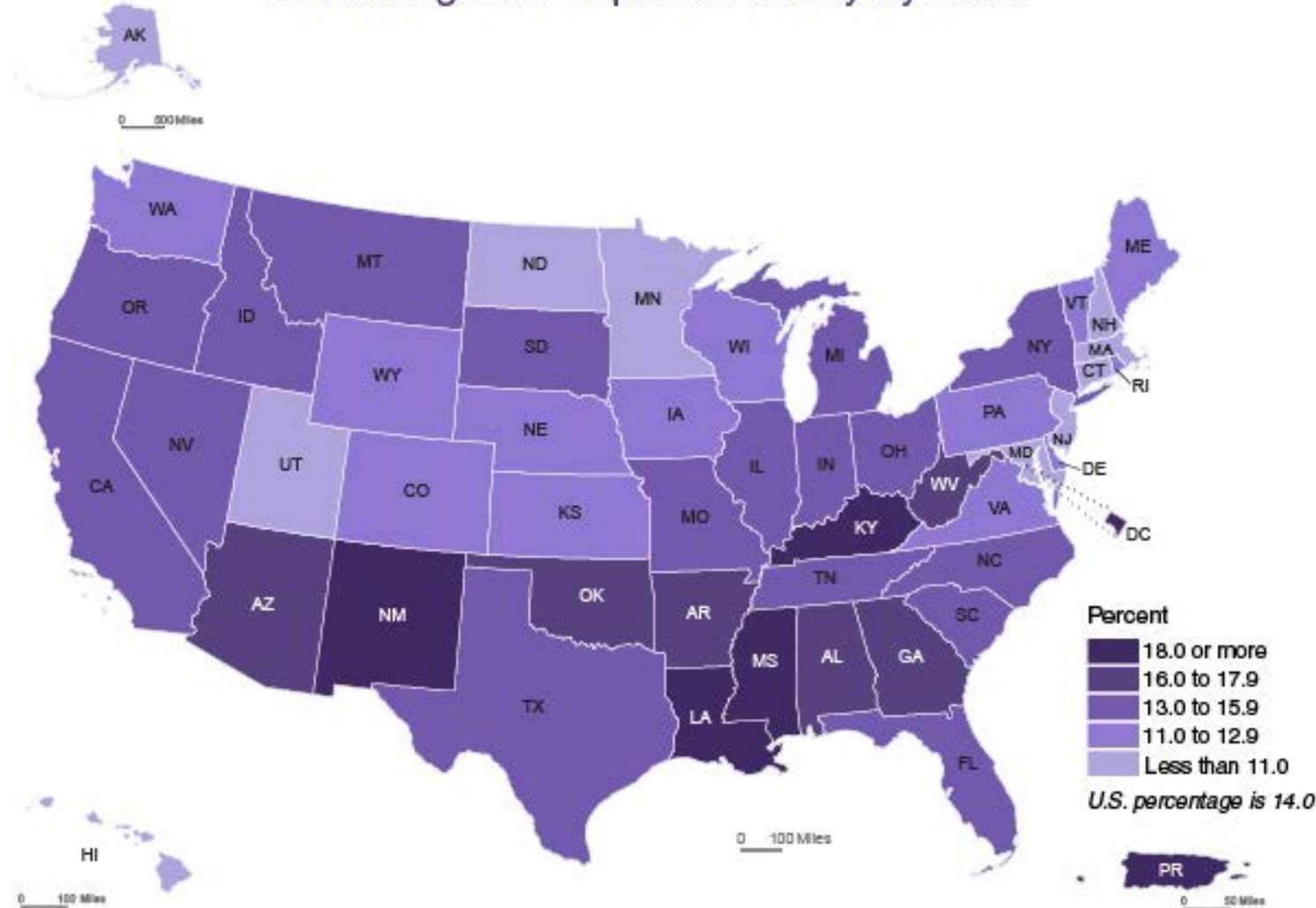
AmeriCorps VISTA: Volunteers In Service To America

- Full-time one year and summer opportunities
- Anti-poverty and sustainable development focus
- Minimum age 18+, no upper age limit
- Projects in all 50 states focusing on economic opportunity, healthy futures, education, and more.



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Percentage of People in Poverty by State



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ANNUAL IMPACT OF
AMERICORPS VISTA

- 1** 8,000+ *Members Serving*
- 2** 3,000+ *Locations Across the U.S.*
- 3** 900,000 *Volunteers Leveraged*
- 4** \$178M *Raised from Other Sources*
- 5** 220,000 *Members Since 1965*



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What VISTA Members Do

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- Serve for one year at an organization or agency.
- Gain leadership experience.
- Serve in your hometown or anywhere in the US.
- Apply to a location, project, or focus area of your choice.
- Help advance local solutions to poverty and inequity while earning money for school.

AmeriCorps VISTA Focus Areas

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Education



Economic Opportunity



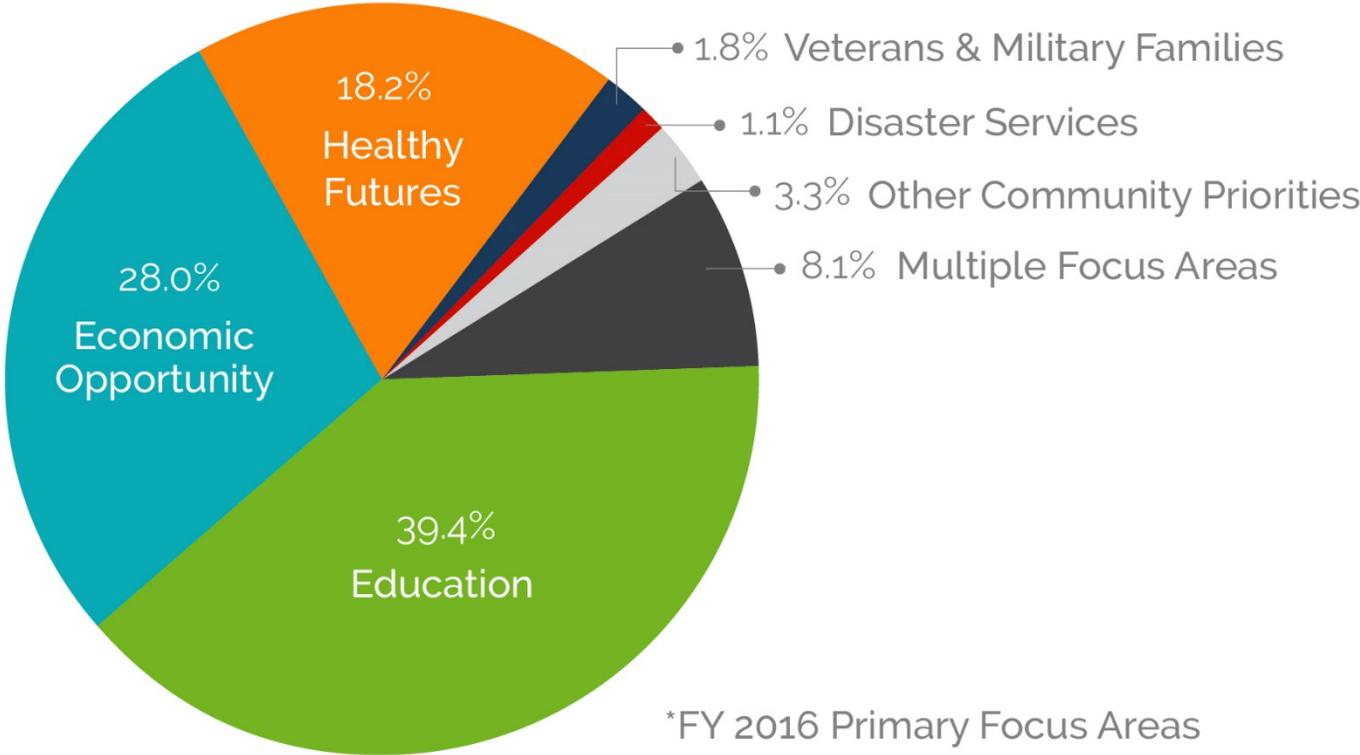
Healthy Futures



Veterans & Military Families



Disaster Services





Living Allowance

Receive a modest bi-weekly living allowance to cover basic expenses.



Relocation Allowance

If you move 50+ miles from your home to a new community, you receive relocation travel assistance and a settling-in allowance.



End of Service Award

Choose between a Segal Education Award (\$5,920) to pay for a range of education expenses or a cash stipend (\$1,800).



Healthcare Benefit

Choose between reimbursement for healthcare or a healthcare plan. Dental and vision are also included.



Non-Competitive Eligibility (NCE)

NCE is a unique hiring path which makes it easier for federal agencies to hire you.



Professional Development Training

Attend in-person and virtual professional development opportunities throughout the year.



Child Care

You may be eligible to receive a child care benefit if you have children under the age of 13.



And many more benefits...

You can find them at:

www.VISTACampus.gov/in-service/benefits-service

Who Can Apply?

- Must be at least 18 years old; no upper age limit.
- Pass a criminal background check.
- AmeriCorps VISTA service is open to all US citizens, US nationals, lawful permanent residents, and persons legally residing in a state.



What makes a successful VISTA member?

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- Committed to Service
- Culturally Agile
- Open-Minded
- Flexible
- Creative
- Collaborative
- Willing to Learn

Natalie Siedhof, AmeriCorps VISTA Alum

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VISTA Project Name: Pennsylvania Campus Compact, Food Access Coordinator

Where I Served: Susquehanna University - Selinsgrove, PA, 2015-2016

Hometown: Canton, Pennsylvania

College: Colgate University. BA in Women's Studies & minor in Educational Studies

Where I work now: At Kean University in New Jersey, where I am a Coordinator for Community Engagement.

Nick Galiardo, AmeriCorps VISTA Alum

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VISTA Project Name: Christian Appalachian Project

Where I served: Eastern KY/West Virginia, 2012-2013

Hometown: Palatine, IL

College: UIC (University of Illinois, Chicago),
Economics/Finance

Where I work now: At Intermedix, a contractor for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). I work as a liaison between Intermedix and FEMA to code and develop technology solutions to improve response to disasters.



Khadija Carr, AmeriCorps VISTA Alum

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VISTA Project Name: Service Works, Service Project Development Leader

Where I Served: Silver Spring, MD 2015-2016

Hometown: Silver Spring, MD

College: Guilford College, NC. BS in Forensic Biology

Where I work now: At AmeriCorps VISTA (CNCS), where I am part of the Criminal History Check team as a Program Associate.

Questions?

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