AmeriCorps: Be the Greater Good

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What is **AmeriCorps?**

AmeriCorps is an opportunity for individuals of all ages and backgrounds to give their time and talent to strengthen communities.

AmeriCorps is made up of three primary programs that each take a different approach to improving lives and fostering civic engagement. Members commit their time to address critical community needs like increasing academic achievement, mentoring youth, fighting poverty, improving the environment, preparing for disasters, and more.

Gain Experience

Learn New Skills

Make a Difference

Serve Your Community

AmeriCorps Focus Areas

- Disaster Services
- Economic Opportunity
- Education
- Environmental Stewardship
- Healthy Futures
- Veterans and Military Families

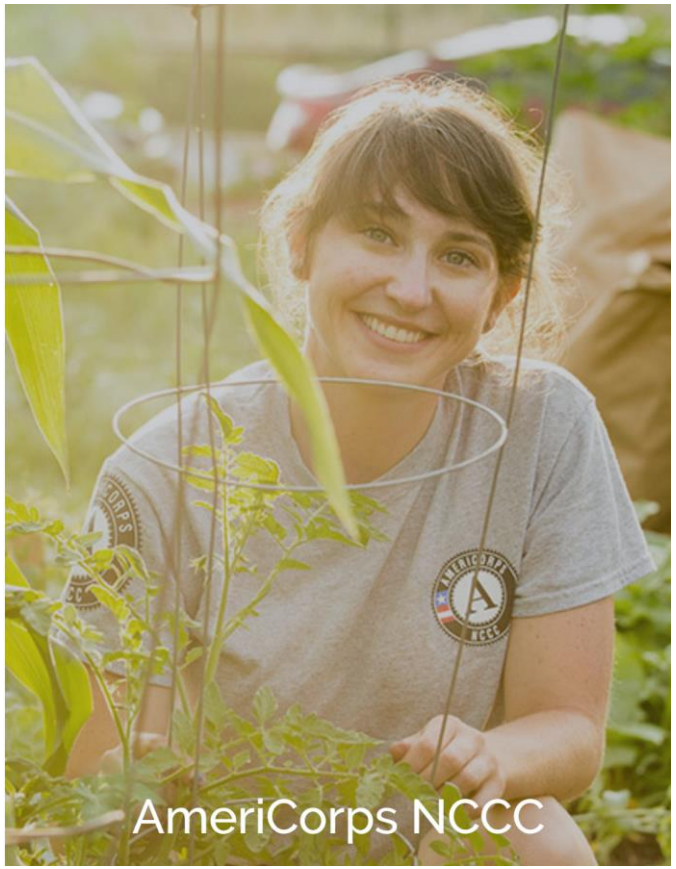
AmeriCorps Member Benefits

- Federal Student Loan Deferment
- Skills and Training
- Living Allowance
- Health insurance coverage & childcare assistance
- Education Award
- Networking Opportunities

3 Ways to Serve

AmeriCorps State and National

AmeriCorps VISTA


AmeriCorps NCCC

AmeriCorps State and National

Direct Service

AmeriCorps State and National

Eligibility requirements:

- 17 years or older
  (no upper age limit)
- Pass a national service criminal history check
- US citizen, US National, Lawful Permanent Resident
- Service terms vary in length from 3 months to 1 year
- Full time and part time options

AmeriCorps VISTA

Capacity Building

VISTA Eligibility requirements:

- 18 years or older
  (no upper age limit)
- Pass a national service criminal history check
- US citizen, US National, Lawful Permanent Resident

National Civilian Community Corps

Traveling AmeriCorps Team

NCCC Regions

National Civilian Community Corps

FEMA Corps

- Residential, team-based program for young adults age 18-24 (Team Leaders 18+)
- 12 month service term
- Serve through Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Disaster preparedness, response and recovery
- Teams provide disaster service including:
  - help survivors complete applications for disaster assistance
  - support disaster services facilities
  - respond to helpline calls
  - disseminate disaster preparedness and mitigation information to the public

AmeriCorps NCCC Eligibility Requirements:

- 18-24 years old (18+ for Team Leaders)
- Traditional Corps: 10 month term, Team Leaders 11 month term
- FEMA Corps: 12 month term
- Pass a national service criminal history check
- Pass a medical eligibility assessment
- Traditional Corps: US citizen, US National, Lawful Permanent Resident
- FEMA Corps: US citizen

AmeriCorps by the Numbers

1 Million+

AmeriCorps members since 1994

1.4 Billion

Hours served by AmeriCorps members

$3.3 Billion

Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards earned by AmeriCorps members

2.3 Million

Number of community volunteers managed or mobilized by AmeriCorps members

21,000+

Number of unique sites where AmeriCorps members served

AmeriCorps Alumni Survey

51% of respondents said AmeriCorps opened up a career path from them that they might not have otherwise considered.

42% of AmeriCorps alumni who were employed within six months after their service said that their employment resulted from a connection made during their AmeriCorps service.

How can you find the right AmeriCorps service opportunities for you?

SERVE

Find your best fit

Enrich your life by helping others. When you serve with AmeriCorps, you join a network of people and organizations dedicated to strengthening communities.

www.americorps.gov

Step 1: Determine how you want to serve

1. Choose length

AmeriCorps members typically serve for 10-12 months, with options for shorter terms or summer positions.

2. Choose location

Apply for service opportunities in your own community or pick from a list of locations across the country.

Step 2: Apply to become an AmeriCorps member

1. Create a profile

Enter some personal information, your availability, level of education, and skill areas.

START

2. Find an opportunity

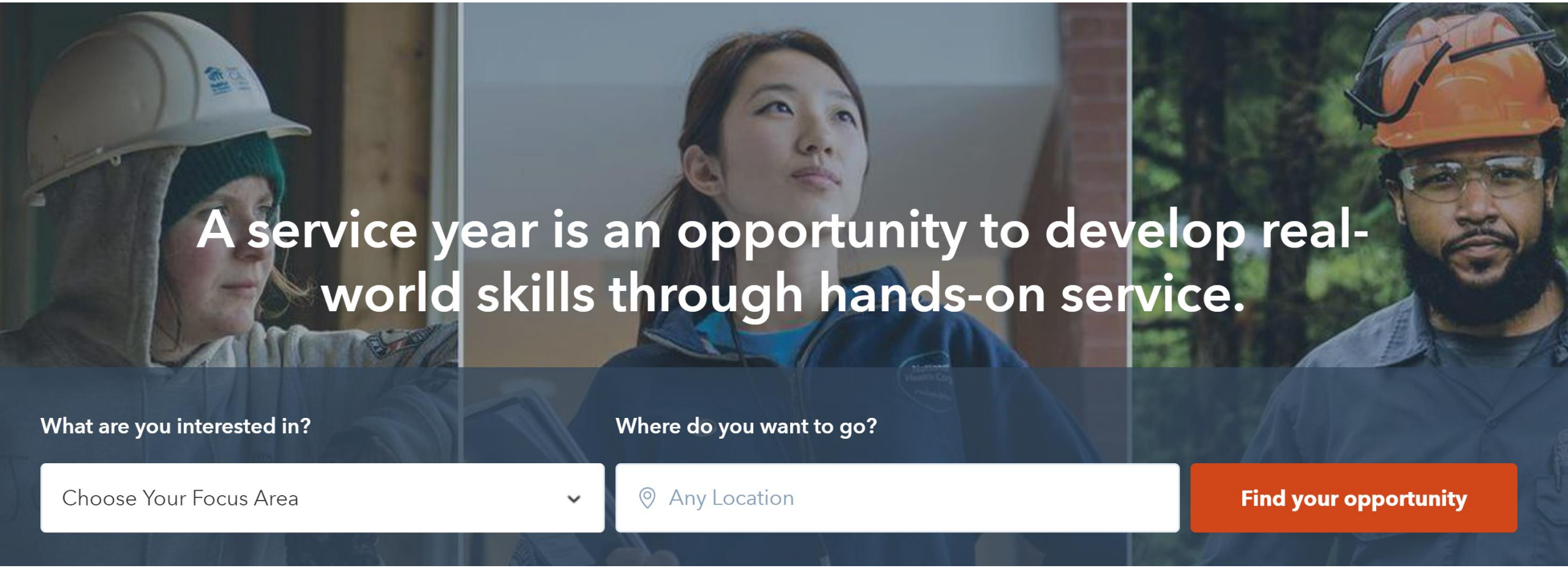
Look for service opportunities that are suited to your particular skills, interests, and availability.

FIND

3. Submit an application

Apply to one or more service opportunities that interest you.

ServiceYear.org



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