

## Program Basics

Rochester AmeriCorps has been building community and developing community leaders since 1994

Members provide direct service to youth in RCSD schools and community based education programs

Members serve full-time, Sept.—Aug., serving a minimum of 1700 hours over their term of service

Applications are accepted annually January to August

Minimum requirements for service: US citizen, national, or permanent resident alien; 17 years of age or older

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### MEMBER ACTION AND IMPACT

AmeriCorps is a program of the Corporation for National and Community Service that engages people of all ages and backgrounds in strengthening America's communities through service. Rochester AmeriCorps is an education focused program in which members serve Rochester City School District students in K-12 schools and community organizations. Our mission is to improve academic engagement, college and career readiness, and positive school climate. Members commit to serving at least 1700 over a 48-week term, receive an annual living allowance of \$12,630 (before taxes), and upon successful completion of the program receive an education award of \$5,815. Our program is sponsored by Monroe Community College.

#### **B**UILDING COMMUNITY WITH POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Rochester AmeriCorps provides members with opportunities to gain real life experiences and skills that are applicable across an array of career fields. Our city gains the energy, effort, time, and support of the members who address our community's needs and challenges. Essential member activities

may include: mentoring, contributing to extracurricular and enrichment activities, providing academic and behavioral supports, supporting attendance initiatives, tutoring one-on-one or small groups, providing college / career preparation services, coordinating

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school and community events, and conducting outreach to parents and members of the Rochester community. Members are able to build meaningful relationships with students, staff, administrators, and fellow members to contribute to a positive community and school climate.

## **Benefits of Service**

- Bi-weekly living allowance of \$522 (estimated, pre-tax)
- \$5,815 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award upon completion of the program
- National Service forbearance on qualified student loans

- Individual health insurance
- Child care subsidy (if eligible) for dependents 12 and under
- Living allowance not taken into consideration when determining S.N.A.P eligibility
- Specialized training, professional development, and networking opportunities

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#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Interested individuals can apply online or with a paper application. If applying online visit our website, **www.RochesterAmeriCorps.org** and click the "Join Us" tab for step-by-step instructions on how to submit an application. Please contact the office directly if you would like to request a paper application. To learn more about national service and AmeriCorps visit **www.nationalservice.gov**.

When creating your online application it is important that you answer all questions accurately and completely. Your application and personal references help create a full picture of who you are and what you can bring to our program.

Completed applications receive a numerical score, if the application receives enough points the applicant will be invited to interview. The responses from that interview will also be scored and added to the total. If the total score meets our benchmark, the references you provide are positive, and your background check clears,

you will be invited to serve with our program.



Members serving at Project Homeless Connect

I will get things done for America—
to make our people safer, smarter, and healthier.
I will bring Americans together
to strengthen our communities.
Faced with apathy, I will take action.
Faced with conflict, I will seek common ground.
Faced with adversity, I will persevere.
I will carry this commitment with me
this year and beyond.
I am an AmeriCorps member,
and I will get things done.

### We are seeking applications from individuals who:

- Want to strengthen the community through volunteering and community service
- Have a strong work and service ethic
- Have a desire to serve Rochester City School District students
- Are able to commit to serving 40+ hours a week for an 11 month term of service
- Have a willingness to learn and grow with a cohort of fellow members
- Want to contribute to building a strong Rochester community

## By the numbers - 23 years of Rochester AmeriCorps

1,357 members have enrolled in the Rochester AmeriCorps program
 Over 1.7 million hours have been served by Rochester AmeriCorps members
 34,521 volunteers have been mobilized by Rochester AmeriCorps members
 593,138 volunteer service hours have been provided by community volunteers recruited by our members