



# Rochester AmeriCorps



## Program Basics

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

Members provide direct service to youth in RCSD schools

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. **Our mission** is to improve academic engagement, college and career readiness, and positive school climate. **Members commit** to serving at least 1700 over a 48.5-week term, receive an annual living allowance of approximately \$13,700 (before taxes), and upon successful completion of the program receive an education award of approximately \$6,095. Our program is sponsored by Monroe Community College.

## BUILDING 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 extra-curricular and enrichment activities, providing academic and behavioral supports, supporting attendance initiatives, tutoring one-on-one or small groups, providing college / career preparation services, coordinating 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 —

- 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
- Bi-weekly living allowance of approximately \$571 (estimated, pre-tax)
- Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of approximately \$6,095 upon completion of the program
- National Service forbearance on qualified student loans

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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](http://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](http://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 – 24 years of Rochester AmeriCorps

**1,357** members have enrolled in the Rochester AmeriCorps program

**Over 1.8 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