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# 2019 AmeriCorps Placement Site Informational Session



### What is AmeriCorps?





- A National Service Program
- Created in 1993 under the National and Community Service Trust Act
- Funded through the Corporation for National and Community Service
- Engaging AmeriCorps Members to perform Direct Service activities
  - Strengthen Communities
  - Meet Critical Needs
  - Permanently Change
    Conditions





 OneStar Foundation, in partnership with the CitySquare AmeriCorps program, is offering the opportunity for organizations interested in hosting AmeriCorps\*Texas members serving in <u>Disaster Services</u> activities to apply to serve as a <u>placement site</u>.







- A <u>placement site</u> is a location that will host one or more <u>AmeriCorps members</u> to perform approved activities during a <u>term of service</u>.
- OneStar is facilitating the outreach and selection of placement sites while selected placement sites and staff and members will be trained and managed by CitySquare.



- For this particular opportunity, organizations must propose AmeriCorps member activities in the area of Disaster Services.
- Disaster Services activities will:
  - provide support to increase the preparedness of individuals for disasters,
  - improve individuals' readiness to respond to disasters,
  - help individuals recover from disasters, and/or
  - help individuals mitigate disasters.





### Who are AmeriCorps Members

- An AmeriCorps member:
  - is an individual who <u>engages in community service</u> through an approved national service position.
  - receives a living allowance while serving.
  - earns an <u>Education Award</u> that they can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.
- IS NOT:
  - An Intern, Worker, Volunteer, or Staff





• The length of time an AmeriCorps member is in service as well as the number of hours they are required to serve during that time.

Member Type	Service Hours	Start Date	End Date	Avg. Hrs/Wk
Spring-Summer Half Time (HT)	900	01/28/2019	8/9/2019	35 hrs/28 wks
Spring Quarter Time (QT)	450	01/28/2019	5/3/2019	35hrs/14 wks
Summer Quarter Time (QT)	450	05/06/2019	8/9/2019	35 hrs/14 wks



- Selected Placement Site organizations must provide a Cost Share per Member that they receive.
- In return, the Placement Site will receive administrative support from CitySquare and members will receive a living allowance.

Member Type	Total Living Allowance	Biweekly Living Allowance	Cost Share/ Member
Half Time (HT)	\$8,925	\$637.50	\$5,000
Quarter Time (QT)	\$4,462.50	\$637.50	\$2,500



## Application

- Available on the OneStar Foundation website.
- Submit completed applications to grants@onestarfoundation.org.



#### **Important Dates**

#### **Applicants interested in starting members January 28. 2019:**

- Submit the application no later than **October 19, 2018**.
- Clarification on the application will occur between <u>November 5 -15,</u> <u>2018</u>.
- Selected sites will be notified no later than <u>November 27th</u> so that they may begin to recruit members.

#### **Applicants interested in starting members in May 6, 2019:**

- Submit the application no later than **February 7, 2019**.
- Clarification on the application will occur between <u>February 25 –</u> <u>March 5, 2019</u>.
- Selected sites will be notified no later than <u>April 8, 2019</u> so that they may begin to recruit members.



# **Questions?**

www.onestarfoundation.org



#### Please contact the following individual with any questions:

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Phone consultations available by appointment only. Email Elisa to schedule.