AmeriCorps VISTA
Since 1965, over 220,000 AmeriCorps members in the VISTA program have joined the fight against poverty by helping local organizations expand their capacity to make change. The VISTA program serves in each of the 50 U.S. states and in all U.S. territories.

Through capacity building activities such as fundraising, grant writing, research, and volunteer recruitment AmeriCorps members in the VISTA program serve in an office setting and gain experience and leadership skills. This opportunity prepares members for a life of service in the public, private, or nonprofit sector.

Catholic Charities NH is proud to be the sponsoring organization for a state-wide AmeriCorps VISTA Program. Through this sponsorship Catholic Charities NH is able to offer AmeriCorps VISTA as a resource to various organizations throughout New Hampshire.

Program Criteria
Potential Host Sites must be able to illustrate the project's anti-poverty focus. The statutory purpose of AmeriCorps VISTA is to strengthen and support efforts to eliminate and alleviate poverty and poverty-related problems in the United States.

Program Cost
For the 2021/2022 service year a $5,250.00 cost share is due at the beginning of your AmeriCorps member’s term of service.

VISTA Member Benefits
Catholic Charities NH will manage all contact with the AmeriCorps regional office and process all Federal paperwork. AmeriCorps will provide the AmeriCorps member with:

- Monthly living stipend:
  - New Hampshire (all counties except below) = $513.94 Bi-weekly
  - Strafford County = $562.52 Bi-weekly
  - Hillsborough County = $613.48 Bi-weekly
  - Rockingham County = $1,027.88 Bi-Weekly

- Health Coverage
- Sick and vacation leave (20 days)
- Holidays (based on your agency’s holiday schedule)
- Choice of $6,345.00 education award or $1,803.10 cash stipend upon the completion of a full year of service
Host Site Responsibilities

1. Host sites must be able to provide adequate full-time supervision and support for the member. Adequate supervision includes a permanent full-time staff supervisor who is able to supervise the daily activities of the AmeriCorps member.
2. Complete Host Site Project Plan and VAD (VISTA Assignment Description) including a Memorandum of Understanding
3. Assist with the recruitment of a qualified candidate
4. Provide orientation and on-the-job training to the AmeriCorps member
5. Provide a computer, office space, office supplies and use of office equipment including telephone
6. Provide mileage reimbursement for the AmeriCorps member for project related travel expenses, except when events are required by Catholic Charities NH
7. Cover any program related expenses that the AmeriCorps member may incur
8. Complete a six month performance review
9. Complete an exit interview for the AmeriCorps member
10. **Host sites/supervisors are also required to attend the scheduled mandatory supervisor training.**

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