



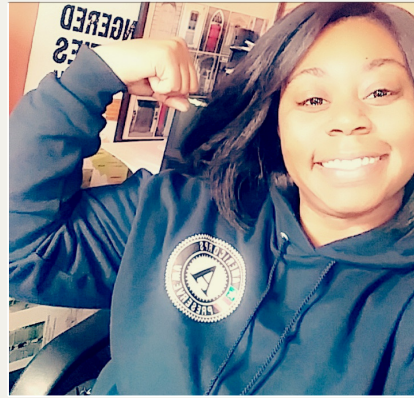
# JOIN AMERICORPS



BEST DECISION EVER. MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN WEST VIRGINIA, FIND A CAREER, GET \$\$\$.

## APPALACHIAN FOREST HERITAGE AREA (AFHA)

In the scenic eastern mountains of West Virginia, AFHA AmeriCorps members conserve the environment by improving ecosystems and providing outreach and environmental education. Members improve rural communities by supporting events and projects, improving heritage museums, and hands-on historic preservation. Visit [appalachianforest.us](http://appalachianforest.us) or call (304) 636-6182.



PRESERVING WEST VIRGINIA'S HISTORIC PLACES



GROWING LOCAL FOOD IN WHEELING

## STEP BY STEP STRENGTHS CORPS

Help build a new future in the Southern coal fields. Step by Step Strength Corps members help at risk students succeed by assisting them with identifying strengths to build the resiliency to graduate from high school with the knowledge, skills, and resources needed to successfully transition to a career, college, or technical school. Visit [www.stepbystepwv.org](http://www.stepbystepwv.org) or call (304) 414-4452.

## TWIN BRANCH

Learn job skills and build your job readiness through carpentry, trail maintenance and forestry. The Twin Branch AmeriCorps Program improves and increases outdoor recreational opportunities in McDowell and Wyoming County. Members build and maintain hiking trails, upgrade local parks, and help develop community gardens to help grow economic opportunity and tourism. Visit [wvcc.com](http://wvcc.com), or call (304) 656-7594.

## LIFEBRIDGE

Make a difference in your community. LifeBridge programs teach life skills, help create opportunity for underemployed individuals including veterans, and help distressed families meet basic needs. Members serve in more than 25 counties. Visit [lifebridgewv.org](http://lifebridgewv.org), or call (304) 340-3593.

## GROW OHIO VALLEY

Follow the path food travels from farm to fork! Join Grow Ohio Valley's efforts to build a thriving community through local food. Rotate through all of our programs, including urban farming, community education, and food security. Visit [growov.org](http://growov.org) or call (304) 233-4769

## MARSHALL UNIVERSITY RESEARCH CORPORATION AMERICORPS

Play a hands-on role in creating a healthy future in West Virginia! AmeriCorps members promote healthy choices through education, weight loss, nutrition, and physical activity. Change lives by teaching chronic disease self-management through healthy lifestyle choices. Members serve throughout the state. Call (740) 350-9943 for more information.

## WVU COLLABORATIVE DIRECT AMERICORPS

Help your fellow WVU classmates graduate college! AmeriCorps members serve as Peer First Year Transition Leaders or Innovative Service Champions for fellow college students who are at risk for dropping out of school. In exchange, AmeriCorps members receive professional development and an Education Award to pay for school or repay student loans. Visit <https://service.wvu.edu/> or call (304) 293-8761.

## PRESERVATION ALLIANCE

Love history? Help save historic properties in West Virginia with the Preservation Alliance. Members assist organizations to save and adaptively re-use historic buildings, revitalize historic communities and develop potential heritage tourism sites, and help nonprofit historic preservation organizations more effectively manage volunteers. Visit [pawv.org](http://pawv.org) or call (304) 345-6005.

### BENEFITS



Monthly living stipend



Education Award for college or student loans



Health insurance



Student loan forbearance



Career development



Knowing you made West Virginia a better place



## Volunteer West Virginia

The State's Commission for National and Community Service



MORE ON BACK!

## ENERGY EXPRESS

Need a summer gig? Love kids? Energy Express AmeriCorps members promote successful reading skills for more than 3,000 children throughout state during the summer. Children receive two nutritious meals each day, and with AmeriCorps members serving as mentors, they participate in reading, writing, recreation and drama activities. Members also involve community volunteers in children's learning, particularly in one-on-one reading. Positions available throughout the state. Visit [energyexpress.ext.wvu.edu](http://energyexpress.ext.wvu.edu) or call (304) 293-3855.

## WV STRONG VETERANS -VISTA

Give back to those who have given so much- help Veterans and military families get the support they need to live successful, positive lives. Members serve in: housing services, employment, transportation, hospice care, non-criminal legal assistance, agriculture, and military family services. For more information call (304) 558-0111.

## NATIONAL COAL HERITAGE AREA AUTHORITY -VISTA

Make Southern West Virginia shine. Promote economic development through community revitalization and community based development. VISTAS will serve in local small non-profits that use community volunteers to provide basic health education, literacy, housing, child mentoring, and other basic services. Visit [coalheritage.org](http://coalheritage.org) or call (304) 465-3720.

## SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN LABOR SCHOOL -VISTA

Serve in beautiful Fayette County, housing included! Members will assist with activities pertaining to a demonstration farm, financial independence, housing repair volunteer recruitment, and affordable housing for veterans. Visit [sals.info](http://sals.info) or call (304) 250-7627.

## HIGH ROCKS

High Rocks is an arts-based youth leadership and girls' empowerment camp nestled in the WV mountains that educates, empowers, and inspires young people in Pocahontas, Nicholas and Greenbrier Counties. Members mentor youth, help run youth centers, and support summer camps and after school programs. Visit [highrocks.org](http://highrocks.org), or call (304) 653-4891.

## WV STRONG WVFLOOD -VISTA

Help individuals, families, and communities recover from the recent devastating floods that hit the region in June. VISTAs we be working alongside local long term recovery committees and will provide volunteer recruitment and management, develop partnerships, link community members with services and referrals, and develop community outreach strategies and education on disaster preparedness. For more information call (304) 558-0111.

## WEST VIRGINIA'S PROMISE -VISTA

Support West Virginia's Five Promises to Children and Youth. Work with community partners to ensure children have the conditions they need to achieve adult success: the help and guidance of caring adult relationships, healthy childhoods, safe surroundings, effective education and opportunities to serve others. Visit [fivepromises.wv.gov](http://fivepromises.wv.gov), or call (304) 661-1460.

## STEM WORKS -VISTA

Help prepare students for careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Members help high schools build a Makerspace and use technology to boost student achievement. Visit [educationalliance.org](http://educationalliance.org) or call (304) 342-7849.

## AMERICORPS ON THE FRONTLINE

Help improve high school graduation rates—be a mentor! AmeriCorps on the Frontline members work with students to improve attendance, behavior, and course performance in grades 3-12. Members serve in in Berkeley, Cabell, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Monroe, Morgan, Pleasants, Randolph, Wayne, and Wood. Visit [educationalliance.org](http://educationalliance.org) or (304) 342-7849.

## STEP BY STEP -VISTA

Decrease substance abuse rates at the local level, increase access to healthy foods for families in recovery with young children, assist at-risk students in identifying and building on existing strengths in order to build their resiliency, and assist parents in becoming better advocates for their children's academic needs. Positions available statewide. Visit [stepbystepwv.org](http://stepbystepwv.org) or call (304) 414-4452.

## UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL WV -VISTA

Empower children and adults to live healthier styles, and link them with the educational tools to bring themselves out of poverty. VISTAs serve in schools & after school programs, adult basic education sites, FRNs & Starting Points. Members focus on educational opportunities, and the importance of health, fitness and nutrition for adults and children. Visit [unitedwaycwv.org](http://unitedwaycwv.org) or call (304) 340-3620.

## WV COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HUB -VISTA

Build thriving communities. Connect communities with the resources to grow in economic, civic and social health. VISTA members perform activities such as research grants to aid community projects, and recruit volunteers and VISTA members, and develop presentations to gain support and understanding of the Hub's mission. Visit [wvhub.org](http://wvhub.org) or call (681) 404-6053.

## MARSHALL UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS IN WEST VIRGINIA -VISTA

Create healthy futures in WV communities! Help build infrastructure to deliver evidence based preventive programs, help develop a Community Health Worker system that connects people to much needed health care, and help communities take actions that make healthy choices easier. For more information, call (740) 350-9943

## WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY - VISTA COLLABORATIVE -VISTA

Be a part of an exciting VISTA project at WVU! Members serve in a variety of programs which include Veterans' Affairs, Adventure WV, Addiction Studies, Collegiate Recovery, the Student Food Pantry, Fostering Fairmont, ASPIRE/Peace Corps Prep, Sociological Database Design, the Community Leadership Academy, and more. Visit [service.wvu.edu](http://service.wvu.edu) or call (304) 293-8348.

