

Position Description:

YouthBuild participants (Corpsmembers) engage in intensive training divided between the construction service site and the classroom earning a GED or High School Equivalency diploma. Corpsmembers develop construction skills while providing a minimum of 450 hours of service to their community by serving on affordable housing projects, set and achieve further educational goals, and engage in leadership development, civic engagement, and career readiness and post-secondary preparation activities. Tentative start date for the program is October 4, 2021. Final start dates, schedules, and program format are subject to change dependent on grant funding and CDC COVID-19 guidance. This position reports to the YouthBuild Field Coordinator: Construction.



Corpsmembers EARN:

- **Biweekly stipend:** October 2021-December 2021 earn \$1,000.32 (before taxes) every two weeks for an average of 32 hours per week. January 2022-May 2022 earn \$1,024.68 (before taxes) every two weeks for an average of 32 hours a week. Raises and bonuses may be granted based on performance.
- **AmeriCorps Education Award:** Earn a \$1,678.57 education award upon successful completion of the term (450 hours of service). This award can be used to pay tuition for college, trade schools, or certificate programs.

Program Timeline:

Corpsmembers will be enrolled in the YouthBuild Program until academic and placement goals are met (approximately 6-10 months).

- Corpsmembers will alternate between classroom and service site weeks October 2021-May 2022.
- Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Schedule may vary depending on projects.
- Program continues with 12 months of placement and follow-up activities starting May 2022.



Corpsmembers SERVE:

- **On Construction Sites:** Serve on a crew with other young adults building affordable housing in the Denver Metro area. Corpsmembers will serve alongside construction staff and professional tradespeople to become familiar with construction tools, vocabulary, and methods.
- **Community:** Corpsmembers will participate in service projects with local nonprofits

Corpsmembers RECEIVE:

- **Education:** Fully participate in a GED or High School Equivalency program, as well as construction training, healthy lifestyles workshops, leadership development, and service learning activities.
- **Trainings/Certifications:** First Aid/CPR, OSHA, Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate Training (PACT), hands-on technical training related to all construction projects, green building and other advanced trainings as applicable.
- **Career Readiness:** Career exploration, resume development, and networking with employers, apprenticeship, and union opportunities.
- **Post-Secondary/College Resources:** Develop skills and explore options for college, including: FAFSA completion, financial aid and enrollment support, scheduled campus visits, preparation workshops, etc.

- **Health Insurance:** May be eligible for health insurance the 1st of the month after serving at MHYC for sixty days at 30+ hours a week. Members are responsible for a portion of their health insurance premium monthly.

Corpsmembers LEAD:

- **Corpsmembers** serve as role models and promote volunteerism and service to the community across the agency.
- **Leadership Opportunities** include the possibility of serving on Leadership Council, taking lead roles in the classroom and on the service site, and attending the Conference of Young Leaders in Washington, D.C. Corpsmembers also have the opportunity to provide direct programmatic input.



Qualifications:

- Between 18-24 years old. Must turn 18 by November 8, 2021.
- Eligible for enrollment in AmeriCorps as a US Citizen, National, or Lawful Permanent Resident. Documentation will be required on the first day.
- Desire to make a positive change in your life.
- Committed to earning a high school equivalency diploma.
- Desire to become involved in your community and increase your leadership skills.
- Willingness to engage in assigned construction related service. Physically capable of construction tasks, including, but not limited to: ability to lift 50 lbs., ability to serve 4-8 hours per day outdoors in all weather conditions (e.g. sun, heat, wind, rain, cold, snow, etc.), squat, reach, crawl, and stand for long periods of time.
- Able to commit to the entire term of service.
- Able to be on time and maintain high levels of attendance.
- Actively participate as part of a team, show respect to others, and have a positive attitude.
- Committed to developing professional skills for long-term success.

MHYC is committed to hiring candidates with unique backgrounds and perspectives. If you are interested in this job but are concerned that you do not meet all of the requirements or possess all of the necessary skills, or that prior convictions or your background might disqualify you, we encourage you to submit an application anyway.

Requirements:

- Pre-service background check and drug screen required. This position has recurring access to vulnerable populations.
- Must follow MHYC and AmeriCorps Member Service Agreement policies and guidelines, including refraining from prohibited activities as listed in the agreement.
- Must be able to provide eligibility documentation, which may include proof of income and other documents.



To Apply:

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