

Public Health AmeriCorps Program @ FAQ

Who is eligible to apply?

Applicants from all backgrounds are welcome to apply. A college degree is not required. A strong applicant would be someone who is passionate in pursuing a career in public health and serving their community. The only requirements are:

- Must be at least 18 years or older
- Must be a U.S. citizen, U.S. National, or Lawful Permanent Resident
- Must live locally somewhere in L.A. County
- Able to dedicate one calendar year to complete the hour service requirement

Can I go to school during my service year?

Yes, members can attend school during their service. Students currently pursuing a college degree are welcome to apply for a full-time or reduced half-time position as long as school does not interfere with completing their hours.

I am an international student studying in the United States, can I still apply?

Unfortunately, to apply one has to be a U.S citizen, U.S National, or Lawful Permanent Resident Alien.

What geographical locations will I be servicing?

All our host sites are located within Los Angeles County.

How much will I be getting paid?

- Full-time members will receive a living allowance distributed biweekly of \$27,000 + educational stipend of \$7,395.00/year after completing their 1700 hrs (~40 hours/week) for one year.
- Reduced Half-Time members will only receive an educational stipend of \$2,817.14/year after completing their 675 hours (~14 hr/wk).

Can I get credit for completing my service year?

Credit is dependent per host site and can be further discussed during the interview process.

What benefits are included during my service year?

- Professional development training will be provided throughout the year.
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What types of organizations are members placed in?

Members will be placed in an organization within Los Angeles County to assist on a public health project area in relation to health equity and social determinants of health, COVID-19 support (recovery, testing), access to services and reducing barriers to care, and behavioral health.

Are there remote or hybrid service options available?

Our host sites vary on remote, hybrid, and in-person work service options. We can discuss your preference during your interview to match you with a potential host site.

Is transportation and housing provided?

Unfortunately, transportation and housing is not provided. Mileage reimbursement is available for certain program events.

Can members be DACA students or those who are non U.S. citizens or permanent residents?

No. AmeriCorps members must be U.S. citizens, nationals, or lawful permanent resident aliens.

For more questions related to the AmeriCorps program, check out the [AmeriCorps FAQ page](#).