



AmeriCorps VISTA

Corporation for
**NATIONAL &
COMMUNITY
SERVICE** ★★☆☆



THE MISSION OF AMERICORPS VISTA IS TO STRENGTHEN ORGANIZATIONS THAT ALLEVIATE POVERTY THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM AND THE MOBILIZATION OF RESOURCES.

Since 1965, AmeriCorps VISTA members have brought their passion and perseverance where the need is greatest: to organizations that help alleviate poverty. Poverty can take many forms, which is why VISTA's model is driven directly by communities in need. Whether creating new career pathways for displaced workers in the Midwest, recruiting disadvantaged youth for computer literacy classes in New Jersey, or combating homelessness among veterans in Montana, AmeriCorps VISTA members help others while gaining valuable career skills.



8,500

MEMBERS SERVE ANNUALLY



4,500

SITES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES



70%

SERVE IN THEIR HOMETOWN



220,000

AMERICORPS VISTA MEMBERS SINCE 1965

“ Our AmeriCorps VISTAs are like a little army. They elevate our efforts working directly with the coal industry and engaging coal miners. Their enthusiasm and their commitment to helping this region has been infectious. ”

-Jeff Whitehead, Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR)

OUR IMPACT

RESPONDING TO THE OPIOID CRISIS



AmeriCorps VISTA has implemented opioid addiction treatment and prevention projects in 48 US states and the District of Columbia.

BREAKDOWN BY MAIN FOCUS AREA



46.4%

EDUCATION



23.5%

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY



23.6%

HEALTHY FUTURES

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Of all alumni employed within 6 months of ending service, 46% of them attributed their employment to connections made during their VISTA service.

In 2017, AmeriCorps VISTA members generated

\$206 MILLION

in cash and in-kind resources to support local efforts to overcome poverty. That's more than **DOUBLE** every dollar invested in the program.

In 2017, AmeriCorps VISTA members mobilized

800,000+

volunteers, who collectively volunteered more than **8 MILLION HOURS** of time.

In 2017, as a result of AmeriCorps VISTA members' efforts, more than

140,000

veterans and military families received assistance.

In 2017, AmeriCorps VISTA members helped serve

3 MILLION

disadvantaged youth.

“ AmeriCorps VISTA has really been a lifeline for us at Mission St. Louis. We help guys that come from the inner city. Some of our guys have never had a paycheck in their lives. By the end of 8 weeks, at least 65% of our guys actually have jobs. We could not have built this program without AmeriCorps VISTA. One of the things that's great is that our VISTA has been able to look through data and really identify how the program is working. ”

-Jason Watson, Mission St. Louis

*Data self-reported from AmeriCorps VISTA partners in FY17 and the 2016 AmeriCorps Alumni Outcomes Survey