

AmeriCorps VISTA Service Opportunity in Delaware

Member Duties: The summary of key objectives, activities, and tasks are as follows: Orientation to the two sponsor state entities and their programs. Development of the State Plan to execute the focus of this Grant Application. Contact and partnership formation with other partners and entities necessary to meet the objectives of this project (Delaware Department of Labor, vocational and rehabilitation venues, educational venues, non-profit and community entities, etc.). Advertising, outreach, and recruitment of state-wide area volunteers with a preference focus on special needs, special and other education, and labor experience and backgrounds. Development of statistical data sheets and narrative case reports. Continuous and consistent follow-up with their recruited volunteers Development of additional methodologies as the project progresses for continuous improvement mechanisms for the individuals served through this project.

Program Benefits: Education award upon successful completion of service, Mileage, Health Coverage*, Living Allowance, Training.

*For details about AmeriCorps VISTA healthcare benefits, please visit:
<http://www.vistacampus.gov/healthcare>.

Terms: Car recommended.

Service Areas: Children/Youth, Community and Economic Development, Community Outreach, Education.

Skills: Education, Recruitment, General Skills, Communications, Youth Development.

Service Description: Delaware Health and Social Services/Division for Visually Impaired and the state-wide programs for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf-Blind School for the Deaf are seeking three (3) VISTA volunteers to serve the deaf, blind, and deaf-blind populations of Delaware for a target period on one (1) year. The focus of this project is to recruit local volunteers to work towards skillsets for education, transition of students to Vocational Rehabilitation services, job preparedness training, orientation and mobility, and independent living for both the student and the adult populations, this alleviating current and future poverty levels. VISTA volunteers with a background or focus on education, special education, vocational rehabilitation, or the disabled population would receive first consideration. A minimum of a Bachelor's degree is preferred. VISTA volunteers would have access to State Fleet vehicles provided their driving record is acceptable as well as public DART bus transportation which would be reimbursable. Additionally, in the case where the VISTA volunteer had their own private vehicle, mileage reimbursement would be furnished at the State of Delaware's current reimbursable rate of \$0.40c per mile up to a maximum of \$19.28. For State of Delaware Fleet vehicle usage and private vehicles, this would only be limited to travel during the normal workday for specified program usage. It is preferred that VISTA candidates have access to their own vehicle.

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