



AmeriCorps Empowering the Masses Summer Vista Position

AmeriCorps is a network of national service programs, made up of three primary programs that each take a different approach to improving lives and fostering civic engagement. Members commit their time to address critical community needs like increasing academic achievement, mentoring youth, fighting poverty, sustaining national parks, preparing for disasters, and more.

Through our partnership with Hunger Free America, we can offer multiple terms throughout the year in various service roles at Empowering the Masses. *****THESE CURRENT OPENINGS ARE FOR THE SUMMER TERM, STARTING IN JUNE*****

Dates are 06/07/21-08-16-21.

Summer Feeding Vista:

Primary Duties: Summer Feeding AmeriCorps Vista Member will coordinate all aspects of the Summer Feeding program. Families will register onsite and online to participate in this program. On a chosen day of the week, families will come to Empowering the Masses to pick up backpacks full of food items or if no transportation is available, transportation will be scheduled for families. Member duties will include coordinating volunteers who come to "build" the packs, and coordinating with warehouse staff, supervisor, and other appropriate staff members about the amount of food on hand and amount needed each week.

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Research current demographics in participating neighborhoods. Determine underserved populations and neighborhoods with low participation rates. Distribute educational materials where people receive SNAP and WIC, and those eligible to work, and play – including grocery stores/bodegas, farmers' markets, communities of faith. Our Summer Vista will provide information to our families that will be participating in our Summer feeding program. Assemble our summer nourishment bag distributions as well as research and provide healthy eating information for the families that we serve during the summer.
2. Ensure enough new backpacks are on hand for the beginning of program
3. Arrange for use of space for the entirety of the program. Space to include area to store food items, area to build backpacks and family bags (assembly line)
4. Instruct weekly volunteers who come specifically for this program on what to put in backpacks and bags and how many to make
5. Supervise daily volunteers as they sort through food donations in order to separate our summer food items
6. Once backpacks and bags are built, plan for weekly pick up
7. Keep each week's spreadsheet up to date on who has come to pick up and other specifics
8. Help recruit afternoon volunteers for the building of the backpacks and bags
9. Communicate frequently and succinctly with staff members and volunteers
10. Be present during each backpack build time and each distribution time to ensure accuracy and compassionate distribution

***If you are interested in this position, please contact us at info@empoweringthemas.es.org. Please use this same email address if you would like to send your resume, you can also visit our website at empoweringthemas.es.org and complete our contact form and note that you are interested in our Summer Vista position. Our phone number is 972.460.6316.