



Title: **Community Volunteer Ambassador (AmeriCorps)**
2017

Reports to: **National Park Service Host Site**
2017

Living Allowance: **\$440/week (\$1760/month)**

Location: **Multiple Locations**
2018

Application Dates: September 13,

Application Close: November 6th,

Start Date: February 12th,

Summary:

The National Park Service (NPS) is pleased to offer the **Community Volunteer Ambassador** program (CVA), jointly facilitated by Stewards Individual Placement Program (Stewards) and Northwest Youth Corps (NYC). CVA is looking to select recent college graduates and young professionals ages 21-30 to serve as community ambassadors at 51 national park sites across the nation. Community Volunteer Ambassadors will be instrumental in impacting and supporting how national parks engage youth, young adults, and other park constituents in service-learning, community engagement programs, and activities in their national parks. By acquiring a key role in this exciting and forward thinking national initiative, CVA's will have a profound opportunity to shape the future of environmental stewardship and conservation efforts at local parks throughout the country.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- **Maintain the host park's social media presence** on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter accounts to promote volunteerism in the park.
- **Enhance the operation of volunteer programs by developing and supporting related projects, activities, and goals**
- **Networking and establishing enduring relationships with local and regional organizations** which will serve as ongoing sources for volunteers
- **Diversifying the volunteer pool** and engage underserved members of the park's community
- **Recruiting and Training** of volunteers to increase the quantity, quality, and capacity of volunteerism opportunities at the park.
- **Ensure volunteer engagement in substantive, meaningful work**
- **Communicate, Collect, and Analyze volunteer feedback** in order to contribute to improving volunteer experiences
- **Strengthen systems for volunteer management**, including research, recruitment, retention, recognition, and reporting
- **Build NPS collaboration and community within the park unit and region**
- **Represent NPS and the CVA program to the media**, as necessary
- **Enforce and Adhere to NPS and Americorp policies and regulations**

AmeriCorps CVA Member Requirements:

- Citizenship:** Must be a US citizen
- Age:** 21-30 years old
- Education:** High School diploma/ GED- required. Associates- accepted. **Bachelor's degree is preferred.**
- Experience**
 - 2+ years of experience in leadership, recruiting, community organizing, education, project management, marketing & event planning, and/or conservation fields (ie youth corp, camp counselling)
 - Should have experience working with economically and culturally diverse populations from varying age groups
- Contract Commitment:** 1 year, full time
- Criminal History and background:**
 - Must be able to pass an FBI background check.
 - Must have a driver's license
- Travel & Relocation:** You must be willing to travel and attend both CVA Leaders and Early Service Training sessions. *(travelling expenses will be covered)*
 - You also must be willing to relocate to one of the 7 National Park Regional areas in: Alaska Pacific Intermountain Northeast Midwest Southeast or D.C area *(on-site housing or housing assistance will be provided)*

Benefits:

CVA Members receive a \$1760/month living allowance + health insurance and limited child care benefits. Members will also receive a one week expense-paid training, on-the-ground education and work experience, and an AmeriCorps Education Award upon successful completion of the program. CVA Members will be exposed to a variety of NPS staff and operations, and will gain valuable management, leadership, and administrative experience. In addition, CVA members will have special hiring authority status for 2 years.

How to Apply:

For first consideration, please submit your completed Application of Interest for this program by October 27 at <http://www.nwyouthcorps.org/m/cva>. Position closes November 6**

Note: CVA Applicants only need the following- an NYC profile, a resume, and 1 cover letter per park preference (maximum of 3).** This position will remain open until filled, with preference given to applications received by November 6, 2017.

For questions about how to complete the online application, contact:

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