

Green Iowa AmeriCorps Environmental Steward Positions Available!

{Spend a Year Strengthening Communities, Our Planet, and Your Skills}

Service Description: Green Iowa AmeriCorps operates through the University of Northern Iowa's Center for Energy and Environmental Education (UNI CEEE) in Cedar Falls looking to recruit passionate and motivated individuals for an 11 month service experience in one of our service locations throughout Iowa. As a member of our new and existing programs sites, you will have the opportunity to create plans in conjunction with city officials, nonprofit leaders, school districts, and execute projects that will greatly impact the communities we serve. The leadership and empowerment experienced as part of our program will be like no other!

Our program hopes to train the next generation of 'green-collar' workers through a combination of field trips, presentations, and hands-on learning. Members have the opportunity to build leadership abilities through specific coordinator roles, which allow each member to contribute unique skills to the program. Members have access to free trainings, hands on skill development, and extensive community engagement.

Our mission is empowering Iowa's communities and school districts to make more environmental, energy-efficient decisions and improvements through direct service work, environmental education, professional development opportunities, and volunteer engagement. Green Iowa AmeriCorps consists of three branches: Energy & Community, Sustainable Schools and Land & Water Stewards. Each branch of our program will provide AmeriCorps members with the unique opportunity to enhance their professional development goals, cultivate community-wide relationships, and work toward making Iowa a more sustainable, eco-nomic state.

- Energy & Community- members serve in a team based setting providing residential energy efficiency services to underserved populations, conducting environmental education, and engaging in community service projects with service locations in Cedar Falls, Cedar Rapids, Davenport, Decorah, Des Moines, Dubuque, Iowa City & Milford
- Sustainable Schools-members serve in Iowa school districts as sustainability coordinators to reduce energy and waste, support teachers and students in environment education efforts, and create project based learning opportunities with service locations in Bloomfield, Charles City, Davenport, Dubuque, & Waverly
- Land & Water Stewards-members create environmental education and community programming related to healthy water and land stewardship in conjunction with many local and state partners with a service location in Cedar Falls

Program Benefits: Federal Loan Deferment, Health Coverage, Training and Certification, Individualized Professional Development opportunities, Education stipend upon successful completion, Monthly Living stipend, Leadership experience, Public Service Loan Forgiveness Qualification, Interest Accrual Repayment

Terms: Position based on completion of 1,700 hours of service in a full-time work schedule, flexible vacation and sick leave. Outside employment available during off hours, school attendance available during off hours

Service Areas: Neighborhood Revitalization, Housing, Community Engagement, Storm Water Management, Outreach Education, Community and Economic Development, Environment, and Capacity Building

Skills: Community Organization, Education, Recruitment, Urban Planning, Architectural Planning, Team Work, Public Speaking, Communications, Trade/Construction, Environment, Leadership, General Skills.