



2025-26 Kentucky AmeriCorps Grants

Christian Appalachian Project

AmeriCorps members provide housing development and repair, emergency utility and crisis assistance, hunger relief, affordable clothing, infant/toddler care, preschool, in-school, after-school, and summer education, teen leadership development, aging in place services, support for persons with disabilities, disaster relief, mental health counseling, and support in or for residents. (Economic Opportunity)

Service Locations: Clay, Floyd, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Magoffin, Martin, McCreary, Owsley, Pike, and Rockcastle counties

Member Positions: 69 part-time

Program Contact: [Amy Schill](#), (606) 392-4495 or [Kristy Lawson](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Christian Appalachian Project](#)

Federal Funds: \$425,000

Environmental Education Leadership Corps

AmeriCorps members provide environmental education programs, lessons, and activities to the public in various locations throughout Kentucky. (Environmental Stewardship)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 13 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [Ashley Mike](#), (502) 649-9734 or [Willa Bayne](#), (859) 248-6748

Fiscal Agent: [Kentucky Environmental Education Council](#)

Federal Funds: \$250,000

Family Resource and Youth Services Centers (FRYSC) Corps

AmeriCorps members tutor students in literacy and provide basic needs and connection to mental health resources to school age children in Family Resource and Youth Services Centers (FRYSC) in Kentucky public schools. (Education)

Service Locations: Ballard, Barren, Bath, Bourbon, Boyd, Bullitt, Crittenden, Daviess, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Gallatin, Garrard, Graves, Harlan, Jessamine, Johnson, Knox, Laurel, Leslie, Lincoln, Logan, Lyon, Madison, Marion, McCracken, McCreary, Mercer, Owen, Russell, Spencer, Taylor, Todd, Trimble, Wayne, Webster, and Whitley counties

Member Positions: 48 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [April Hess](#), (502) 234-4709 or [Heather Musinski](#), (502) 352-0851

Fiscal Agent: [Ohio Valley Education Cooperative](#)

Federal Funds: \$571,500

Global Game Changers AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members support students in School Empowerment Zone programs in association with Jefferson County Public Schools to improve social-emotional skills, power skills, and academics in Jefferson and surrounding counties. (Education)

Service Locations: Adair, Bracken, Christian, Hardin, Jefferson, Muhlenberg, and Pendleton counties

Member Positions: 6 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [Alyssa Zediker](#), (847) 204-7361 or [Melissa Pares](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Global Game Changers Children's Education Initiative](#)

Federal Funds: \$148,417

Hindman Settlement School AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members provide math tutoring, literacy support, and other intervention services in public school classrooms and community-based settings for students in grades K-12 with dyslexia indicators or below grade-level math proficiency in six Eastern Kentucky counties. (Education)

Service Locations: Bell, Knott, Leslie, and Perry counties

Member Positions: 45 full-time

Program Contact: [Josh Mullins](#), (606) 785-5475 or [Kayla Thacker](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Hindman Settlement School](#)

Federal Funds: \$1,112,702

Homes for All AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members provide housing navigation, home construction and repair, housing counseling, and capacity-building services to support economically disadvantaged and housing-insecure Kentuckians across the state. (Economic Opportunity)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 23 full-time

Program Contact: [Holly Dennis](#), (606) 226-5909

Fiscal Agent: [Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky](#)

Federal Funds: \$575,000

I Would Rather Be Reading AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members provide out-of-school programming as student and family/community liaisons. (Education)

Service Locations: Jefferson County

Member Positions: 8 part-time

Program Contact: [Shelly Daugherty](#), (330) 412-6053 or [Sara Hannah](#)

Fiscal Agent: [I Would Rather Be Reading \(IWRBR\)](#)

Federal Funds: \$75,000

Kentucky College Coaches

AmeriCorps members serve as peer success coaches to support college and career readiness, student retention, engagement, and completion in junior high schools, high schools, area technology centers, colleges, and universities statewide. (Education)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 156 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [Gayle Hilleke](#), (859) 572-7634

Fiscal Agent: [Northern Kentucky University Research Foundation](#)

Federal Funds: \$1,950,000

Kentucky Public Health AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members will serve as Community Health Workers (CHW's) in local health departments in communities across Kentucky in core public health programs, including HANDS, WIC, and Harm Reduction. (Capacity Building)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 24 part-time

Program Contact: [Whitney Reynolds](#), (859) 317-3817

Fiscal Agent: [Kentucky Health Departments Association](#)

Federal Funds: \$397,580

KY Health Corps

AmeriCorps members provide healthcare support to seniors and disabled individuals in healthcare facilities to develop their healthcare knowledge and complete credentialing coursework enabling members to work in memory care, skilled nursing, assisted living, and other healthcare related environments. (Capacity Building)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 100 part-time

Program Contact: [Megan Eldridge](#), (502) 265-6955 or [Raelyn Brunt](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Family Scholar House](#)

Federal Funds: \$0

PartnerCorps PRI

AmeriCorps members mentor and tutor high school students to increase math achievement. (Education)

Service Locations: Bell, Knox, Leslie, and Perry counties

Member Positions: 66 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [Rob Bowers](#), (859) 200-3280 or [Collette Thompson](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Partners for Rural Impact](#)

Federal Funds: \$1,112,031

REACH Corps

AmeriCorps members mentor students in elementary and middle schools in Jefferson County to improve student attendance and/or behavioral outcomes. (Education)

Service Locations: Jefferson County

Member Positions: 18 part-time

Program Contact: [Ben Langley](#), (502) 485-3926 or [Holly Larsen](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Jefferson County Public Schools](#)

Federal Funds: \$150,000

Recovery Corps

AmeriCorps members provide peer support and recovery coaching to individuals seeking or working to maintain recovery from opioid use disorder and other substance use disorders while receiving direct services at Recovery Community Centers or other community-based recovery sites. (Healthy Futures)

Service Locations: Statewide

Member Positions: 15 part-time

Program Contact: [Alison Jirik](#) or [Rachael Ratliff](#), (859) 327-7211

Fiscal Agent: [CHFS Dept. for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities \(BHDID\)](#)

Federal Funds: \$250,000

Senior Connections

AmeriCorps members provide nutritional support, social engagement, transportation assistance, and physical wellness activities to senior citizens, helping local agencies expand their capacity to serve older adults with greater care and consistency. (Healthy Futures)

Service Locations: Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, McLean, Ohio, Union and Webster counties

Member Positions: 16 full-time

Program Contact: [Brad Alley](#), (270) 926-4433

Fiscal Agent: [Green River Area Development District](#)

Federal Funds: \$400,000

Teach For America - Appalachia Kentucky

Professional Corps AmeriCorps members teach for two years in low-income and under-resourced schools in several counties across Kentucky. (Education)

Service Locations: Floyd, Knott, Knox, Leslie, Letcher, Lincoln, Menifee, Pulaski and Kenton counties

Member Positions: 33 full-time

Program Contact: [Rosie Ballinger](#), (859) 358-5560

Fiscal Agent: [Teach For America](#)

Federal Funds: \$0

Teach Kentucky AmeriCorps

Professional Corps AmeriCorps members teach in high-needs content areas such as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), Special Education, English as a Second Language (ESL), and other content areas needed to address school staffing shortages in local public schools. (Education)

Service Locations: Bullitt, Henry, Jefferson, Meade, Nelson, and Oldham counties

Member Positions: 100 full-time

Program Contacts: [Max Morley](#), (606) 434-8048 or [Rowan Claypool](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Teach Kentucky](#)

Federal Funds: \$0

The Book Works AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps members support students during out-of-school time on school days by facilitating literacy workshops and assessments to gauge attitudes and experiences; tailoring strategies to improve reading proficiency and motivation; co-facilitating social-emotional learning; and creating and distributing family literacy resources in community settings. (Education)

Service Locations: Jefferson County

Member Positions: 8 part-time

Program Contact: [Immayah Hughes](#), (502) 354-3667 or [Colby Kinser](#)

Fiscal Agent: [The Book Works](#)

Federal Funds: \$56,384

UNITE Service Corps

AmeriCorps members tutor students in math, implement the "Too Good for Drugs" drug-prevention curriculum, and sponsor UNITE drug prevention clubs in Southeastern Kentucky schools. (Education)

Service Locations: Bell, Boyd, Carter, Floyd, Harlan, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Leslie, Letcher, Lincoln, Magoffin, Martin, Morgan, Pike, Rockcastle, and Wolfe counties

Member Positions: 62 part-time

Program Contact: [Crystal Smallwood](#), (606) 369-4408 or [Benji Hammons](#), (606) 330-1400

Fiscal Agent: [Operation UNITE](#)

Federal Funds: \$1,085,000

Urban Conservation Corps

AmeriCorps members participate in hands-on environmental education and career readiness service activities that engage opportunity youth in urban projects and service while building workforce skills. (Environmental Stewardship)

Service Locations: Jefferson County

Member Positions: 12 full- and part-time

Program Contact: [Linda Witt](#), (502) 727-8829 or [Joe Magruder](#)

Fiscal Agent: [Blueprint 502](#)

Federal Funds: \$224,997