AmeriCorps Service Position Title:
New Bedford Strengthening Families (NBSF) Corps Member

Number of openings: 6 full-time, 12 part-time

Reports to: NBSF AmeriCorps Program Manager at the United Way of Greater New Bedford (UWGNB) and Host Site Supervisor at Assigned Community-Based Organization

Service Locations: NBSF Corps members will serve at a community-based host site in the Greater New Bedford area.

Commitment Required:
- AmeriCorps is a national service program where members provide service to make people safer, stronger, and healthier and to strengthen their communities.
- Full-time members will serve a minimum of 40 hours per week, Monday through Friday, to include some weekday evenings and occasional Saturdays
- Part-time members will serve a minimum of 20 hours per week, Monday through Friday, to include some weekday evenings and occasional Saturdays
- AmeriCorps positions require a member to serve a minimum number of hours over the course of a predetermined service term

Essential Functions of the AmeriCorps Parent Resource Educator Position:
- Recruit families to participate in one or more of the Nurturing Parenting Programs® by following up on referrals from community agencies and engaging in direct recruitment at host agency and other community sites and events.
- Assess parents’ level of Protective Factors using the validated Protective Factors Survey (PFS).
- Develop family plan for improving one or more of the Protective factors
- Conduct AAPI-2.1 (Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory) and Nurturing Skills Competency Scale (NSCS) with parent/caregiver at intake and after parent has completed at least 8 hours of NPP curriculum.
- Provide NPP curriculum in either a group or individual-based setting
- Make referrals to other community partners, as needed to address families’ needs.
- Work in teams with other NBSF AmeriCorps members to strategize and provide a monthly Parent Cafe in community sites.
- Work in teams to plan and provide biweekly parent-child activities for Greater New Bedford families. These may include family literacy activities, playgroups, or other methods to engage families and build connections.
- Participate in National Days of Service as required by the Massachusetts Service Alliance and UWGNB.
Specialized training and certifications: NBSF Corps Members will gain specialized training and credentials including a 3-day training on the philosophy of Nurturing Parenting Programs® and how to implement and facilitate NPPs; One-day training on the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework and how to implement Parent Cafés; One-day training on facilitating children’s groups as part of NPPs; Two-day training on Nurturing Skills for Families, One-day training on Implementing Nurturing Programs to Spanish-Speaking Families, and a half-day Training on using the AAPI assessment.

AmeriCorps Requirements State that Applicants MUST:
- Be at least 17 years old on their first day of service
- Be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
- Have a high-school diploma or high school equivalency (or willing to enroll in a high school completion or GED program)
- Submit to a full background check, including a sex offender registry check, state criminal history registry check, and FBI fingerprint-based check. This position may have recurring access to vulnerable populations and selection is contingent upon satisfactory results of these checks.

Preferred qualifications:
- Lived experience as parent or primary caretaker of a child or teen
- Desire to help vulnerable populations in the community
- Experience in human service field, such as social work, health care, childcare, etc.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Strong organizational skills
- Willingness to learn and serve others

Benefits:
- Full-time Living Allowance of up to $24,000 (paid in bi-weekly installments)**
- Half-time Living Allowance of up to $12,000 (paid in bi-weekly installments)**
- Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of $6,495 upon completion of minimum 1700 hours of service
- Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of $3,247.50 upon completion of minimum 900 hours of service
- Full-time members are eligible for Health Insurance and Childcare, if needed and applicable
- Eligible for student loan deferment on qualified student loans
- Mileage Reimbursement at $.50/mile

*To apply for a Position, please send a resume to sbrajer@unitedwayofgnb.org*

**All positions are contingent on receipt of grant funding by the UWGNB**

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