



## **AMERICORPS PROGRAM**

AmeriCorps is a national service program where members earn money for college or to pay off student loans, gain job skills and give back to local communities.

The Springfield Urban League's AmeriCorps Program is designed to engage AmeriCorps Members in direct service and capacity-building to address unmet needs. Activities may include supervising, tutoring and mentoring youth, assisting disaster victims, helping with community gardens, assisting with the organization of community programs (i.e. job preparedness, healthy lifestyles, financial literacy, etc.) and also mobilizing community volunteers to strengthen the capacity of the organizations where they serve.

## **TERMS OF SERVICE**

There are positions currently available with members serving 900, 675 and 300 hour terms.

## **BENEFITS**

AmeriCorps Members can earn an Education Award to be used towards a college education or to pay off student loans. Members who are 55 years or older can transfer the education award to a child, grandchild or foster child. All members also receive a modest living allowance. Please see table below:

<b>Enrollment Status</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Education Award</b>	<b>Living Allowance</b>
Half Time	900	\$2,960.00	\$5,700.00
Reduced Half Time	675	\$2,255.24	\$4,300.00
Minimum Time	300	\$1,252.91	\$1,100.00

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- A citizen of the United States, a United States national, or a legal permanent resident of the United States
- At least 17 years of age as of the first day of service
- Has obtained a high school diploma or GED (or agrees to obtain a high school diploma or GED before using an education award)
- Ability to speak, read, and write in English fluently
- Willingness to commit to completing a full term of service hours as agreed upon between member and AmeriCorps Manager
- Ability to pass Criminal background checks before entering the Program

Please submit a completed employment application to Human Resources - Springfield Urban League, Inc. - 100 North 11th Street, Springfield, IL 62703. Applications can be obtained from the employment link on our website [www.springfieldul.org](http://www.springfieldul.org). If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact **Lazell Logan** at **217-789-0830 ext. 1801** or **Llogan@springfieldul.org**.