

## What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is a network of national service programs, made up of three primary programs that each take a different approach to improving lives and fostering civic engagement. Members commit their time to address critical community needs like increasing academic achievement, mentoring youth, fighting poverty, sustaining national parks, preparing for disasters, and more.

## Who Can Serve?

Anyone who is 18 years or older, can confirm that he/she is a United States Citizen, US national, or a lawful permanent resident alien, and can pass a background check

## What is the Educate and Elevate Program?

Iowa's *Educate and Elevate* AmeriCorps program has been developed to on-board and train tutors to assist adult learners who lack adult education and literacy skills and/or have not completed their high school equivalency diploma. Accepted members will receive all necessary volunteer training to be successful in this new role, through such resources as Literacy New York's highly successful Intake to Outcomes (I2O) online training platform. The Iowa Literacy Council will also issue a credential, endorsed by the Iowa Department of Education, to members who complete the I2O training.



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AmeriCorps  
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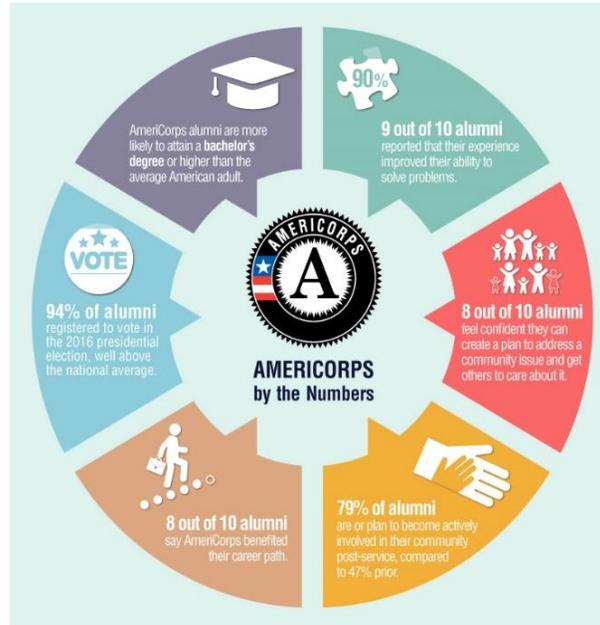
## What are the Benefits?

**Living Allowance:** Designed to help members meet necessary living expenses. Stipend will be paid biweekly during the service term

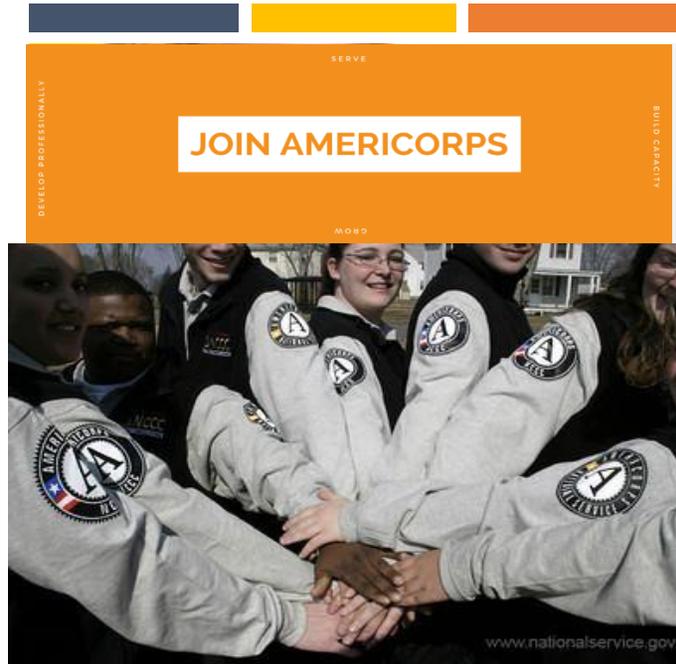
900 hours: \$6,866  
 675 hours: \$5,150  
 450 hours: \$3,433  
 300 hours: \$2,906

**Education Award:** Members will receive an education award from the National Service Trust if term of service is successfully completed.

900 hours: \$2,907  
 675 hours: \$2,215  
 450 hours: \$1,566  
 300 hours: \$1,230



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## Why Does This Matter?

Currently, 202,087 Iowans, ages 18 and over, do not have their high school diploma. Yet, education or training beyond high school is the minimum to earn a living wage. Join the Educate and Elevate AmeriCorps Program to give adult learners an opportunity to advance their education!

## How Can I Apply?

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