



Position Description
Project CHANGE AmeriCorps Member

Organizational Information: Hospice Caring provides caring, compassionate, practical and high-quality, non-medical support services, without charge, to Montgomery County adults and children facing a life-threatening illness or grieving the death of a loved one. We envision a community that accepts death as a part of life; where the processes of dying and grieving are embraced without stigma; where everyone has access to support services without charge; and where no patient dies alone and no one grieves without support.

Position Description: Hospice Caring is seeking a full-time AmeriCorps member for its 2018-2019 service year, which runs from August 15, 2018 until August 14, 2019. AmeriCorps offers its members intensive training, a living stipend, an educational scholarship, health benefits, and a life-enriching experience. The Hospice Caring member will work under the supervision of the Director of Children's Bereavement Services to coordinate and facilitate groups and educational programs for children who are grieving the death of a loved one. The Hospice Caring member will also assist with pre-camp outreach and registration for our Camp Erin, a grief camp for 6-17 year olds.

Qualifications:

- Experience working with children, youth and families;
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills;
- Strong writing skills;
- Bachelor's degree in psychology, human services, or related field;
- Bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred;
- Knowledge of Montgomery County, its schools and community resources is highly desired.

Project Change Maryland / AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, often called America's "Domestic Peace Corps," was founded in 1993. Each year, federal funds administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service are given to Maryland and distributed through the State's Governor's Office of Service and Volunteerism. AmeriCorps members serve one-year assignments working for nonprofit organizations, and they receive a living stipend, health insurance, an education scholarship, training, and a life-enriching experience.

Eligibility: To be eligible to enroll in AmeriCorps, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national or a lawful permanent resident alien of the U.S., be at least 18 years old, and have a high school diploma or GED. Individuals who are in the U.S. under a student, work, or tourist visa are not eligible.

Benefits

- Living Allowance: \$17, 000
- Education Award: \$5,920 which can be used to repay qualified student loans, to pay for current cost of school attendance, or to pay for expenses incurred in participating in an approved school-to-work program.
- Health Insurance: For all members who do not have adequate health care coverage at the time of enrollment or who lose coverage due to participation in the program.
- Training: Members participate in regular training sessions covering topics which include leadership, reflective learning, coaching, facilitating difficult conversations on issues of race and ethnicity, organization and time management skills, conflict resolution, CPR and First Aid.
- Child Care: for member whose family is income eligible; the caregiver must be considered a legal provider in the state.

Location: The Project Change Member's office will be located at 518 South Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Length of Service: 1700 hours of participation

To Apply: Submit cover letter and resume to Deanie Preston at deaniep@hospicecaring.org. Please put "PROJECT CHANGE Application" in the subject line.