

# AMERICORPS

AmeriCorps is a U. S. federal government program that partners with non-profit organizations, public agencies, and faith-based organizations to provide critical assistance in U. S. communities in need of education, public health and the environment. AmeriCorps is often referred to as "the domestic Peace Corps." Both agencies are committed to service, and both offer challenging and rewarding full-time opportunities to their volunteers.

- Peace Corps assignments are all overseas, and AmeriCorps members serve only in the U. S.
- While Peace Corps volunteers services for two years, a stint in AmeriCorps usually lasts 10 months to one year.

AmeriCorps is made up of three main programs:

- AmeriCorps\*VISTA;
- AmeriCorps\*State/National; and
- AmeriCorps\*National Civilian Community Corps.

## AMERICORPS INCOME IN THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Payments to:

- AmeriCorps\*VISTA received by **food stamp recipients**;
- AmeriCorps\*State/National; and
- AmeriCorps\*National Civilian Community Corps

Are excluded for consideration as income for food stamp eligibility and benefit determination.

Payments to:

- AmeriCorps\*VISTA income received by **food stamp applicants** must be counted as earned income for food stamp eligibility and benefit determination.