

## ShoreCorps AmeriCorps Program at Salisbury University

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## Information Sheet for 2024-2025 ShoreCorps

ShoreCorps is a scatter-site AmeriCorps federal grant program administered by Salisbury University (SU). ShoreCorps serves the nine Eastern Shore Counties of Maryland (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester).

Our mission is to strengthen the capacity of community organizations, to improve the lives of vulnerable populations, and to foster civic engagement through service and volunteerism. We achieve this mission by partnering with community-based organizations, schools, governmental agencies, non-profits, and faith-based organizations to address critical educational, recreational, social and cultural needs of the area. Our AmeriCorps members engage in direct service to build the organizational capacity to address these critical needs and assist with volunteer recruitment and management.

## Our partner sites host AmeriCorps members over a 48-week service year for a small fee. The 48 weeks of service can begin no earlier than Aug.15<sup>th</sup> 2024 and can run no later than Aug.14<sup>th</sup> 2025.

Commitment Level	Hours the Member must Complete by Aug. 14 <sup>th</sup> 2025	Cost to the Site	Member Benefits (Provided by ShoreCorps)
Full-time	1700 (approx. 40 hrs/week)	\$13,000	<ul> <li>Biweekly stipend of \$949</li> <li>Education Award of \$7,395</li> <li>Health insurance and child care options</li> <li>8 SU credits for AmeriCorps training course</li> <li>Federal student loan forbearance</li> </ul>
Half-time	900 (approx. 20 hrs/week)	\$6,500	<ul> <li>Biweekly stipend of \$502</li> <li>Education Award of \$3,697</li> <li>8 SU credits for AmeriCorps training course</li> <li>Federal student loan forbearance</li> </ul>
Minimum-time	300 (appox. 10 hrs/week)	No Charge	Education Award of \$1,565     Federal student loan forbearance

## Benefits of Having an AmeriCorps Member at your Agency:

- An extra individual to help with programming and management of volunteers to expand the capacity of your program during the service year
- More than a volunteer: AmeriCorps members are dedicated to their service, have set hours determined by the host site, and are given financial incentive to be successful
- Support from ShoreCorps staff to mentor, supervise, train, coach, and assist with AmeriCorps member development and learning
- All enrollment paperwork including background checks and the members' biweekly stipends handled by ShoreCorps staff

If you are interested in learning more please contact assistant director Sara Heim.

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Please note: the 2024-2025 ShoreCorps program is dependent upon receipt of federal funding.