

## **YMCA at Virginia Tech AmeriCorps Position Description International Program and Y Center**

In partnership with our sponsoring organization, Equal Heart, the YMCA at Virginia Tech is recruiting individuals to serve as AmeriCorps members to reduce hunger, provide engagement for youth, promote job readiness, and support environmental education.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps Members receive a bi-weekly living allowance and an end-of-term educational award. The total living allowance is \$3000, paid in bi-weekly increments of \$300. The end-of-term educational award is \$1374.

Applicants must meet the following minimum criteria:

- ✓ Available for the entire duration of the program
- ✓ 17 years old or older by program start date
- ✓ U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- ✓ Commitment to serve the community!

### General Description

The YMCA at Virginia Tech will offer (2) AmeriCorps positions for 15 hours per week from January to May 2023. The focus of this work will be service delivery for the International Program and Y Center.

This program consists of weekly and bi-weekly meetings/activities that offer learning opportunities for foreign-born community members and families. A major need is childcare during English learning and literacy programs. The provision of childcare services will enable many women and families attend English classes, health and other literacy programs.

In addition to providing childcare, the YMCA has a variety of needs at its YMCA Center.

### Scope of Work

I. Provide childcare weekly / bi-weekly

Weekly on Fridays 10am-12pm

Biweekly (weekdays to be determined) 5:00-8:00pm

II. Engage children from toddlers to 10 year olds with activities age-appropriate.

III. Help the program coordinator setup/take down the classroom and child areas.

IV. Help with a variety of service delivery needs as they arise during the assignment period. Examples of these needs are providing support during events, literacy or engagement programs for the international program.

V. Help with any additional needs at the YMCA Center

### Required Skills and Knowledge

- Strong communication capabilities with adults and children particularly for individuals with limited English skills
- An understanding of, and appreciation for, the importance of cultural diversity
- A desire to help underserved community members have access to childcare.
- Skilled at providing developmentally appropriate material and engagement activities for children.
- Valid driver's license
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain working relationships.
- Demonstrated flexibility in scheduling and tasks assigned.

Providing a referral letter from a previous employer/parent is preferred.