

**This PDF version of the Peace Through Action AmeriCorps Service Site Application may assist applicants in preparing their responses before entering them in the online application form. Applicants must submit their application using the online form. The online form link can be found at <https://PeaceThroughAction.org/AmeriCorpsSites>.**

# Peace Through Action AmeriCorps Service Site Application

Sep 22, 2023

Community organizations wishing to join Peace Through Action's application to AmeriCorps for a program to address social discord in their communities may apply to be included. The deadline for submitting this application is Friday, December 8, 2023.



\* Required

1. What is your first name? \*

2. What is your last name? \*

3. What is your title?

4. What is your email address? \*

5. What is your telephone number? \*

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6. Are you the person who will serve as the primary point of contact with Peace Through Action during the application development and review period? \*

Yes

No

7. Enter the first name, last name, title, email address, and telephone number of the person who will serve as the primary point of contact during the application development and review period.

8. What is your organization's legal name? \*

If your organization is not incorporated, enter "not applicable."

9. What is your organization's trade name or doing business as (DBA) name? \*

If your legal name and trade name are the same, enter "same as legal name."

10. What is your organization's physical location address? \*

Provide address, city, state, and zip code. If your organization does not have a physical location address, enter "none."

11. What is your organization's mailing address? \*

Provide address, city, state, and zip code. If your organization's mailing address and physical location address are the same, enter "same as physical location address."

12. What is your organization's general email address?

13. What is your organization's general telephone number?

14. What is your organization's website address? \*

Enter "none" if your organization does not have a website.

15. What is your organization's Employer Identification Number (EIN)? \*

Enter "none" if your organization does not have an employer identification number.

16. What is your organization type? \*

Select the option that best represents your organization.

- Unincorporated organization
- Nonprofit private organization
- Community foundation
- Religious organization
- Public school district or school
- Institution of higher education
- Unit of local/regional government
- Unit of state/territory government
- Indian tribe
- Other

17. Provide a summary description of your organization. \*

This is often called your "boilerplate."

18. Does your organization host, or has it hosted in the past three years, AmeriCorps State and National and/or AmeriCorps VISTA members? \*

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

19. Provide the number of members, members' types (ASN, VISTA, both), the grantees that provided your members, and brief descriptions of their service assignments.

20. Will you be assembling two or more organizations in your community to participate in Peace Through Action AmeriCorps together? \*

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

21. Provide the names and brief descriptions of the other organizations that have been or will be assembled.

22. How many full-time Peace Through Action AmeriCorps members are you requesting? \*

Our program's participation fee on service sites for full-time members is \$25,000 per member. Full-time members serve a minimum of 1700 hours.

23. How many half-time Peace Through Action AmeriCorps members are you requesting? \*

Our program's participation fee on service sites for half-time members is \$13,000 per member. Half-time members serve a minimum of 900 hours.

24. In what states and territories will your AmeriCorps members be placed? \*

25. In what counties will your AmeriCorps members be placed? \*

Enter the name of the county or counties, followed by the names of the states and territories if you will be placing members in multiple states and territories. (Example: Loudoun County, Virginia). Enter "no county" if the jurisdiction in which you are placing members is not within a county boundary, such as an independent city.

26. In what cities or towns will your AmeriCorps members be placed? \*

27. If you plan for your AmeriCorps members to serve subdivisions of a city or town, such as legislative districts or neighborhoods, provide those subdivision names here, and the city or town to which they belong.

Example:: The Hill neighborhood, St. Louis



28. Provide up to three zip codes that best represent the social and economic conditions of the cities, towns, or subdivisions of cities or towns. \*

We need this information to match your geographic community to a social vulnerability index.

29. Provide at least one physical location address within each state and territory in which your AmeriCorps members will be placed. For each "operating site" physical location, provide the organization name, street address, city, state, zip code, and number of AmeriCorps members to be assigned to that state and territory. \*

The operating site physical location need not be the specific spot from which the members will be serving. But it does need to be a physical location with which the applicant organization has an association. This could be your office location, a location where your group meets, or a location where you receive postal mail or packages. The operating site physical location CANNOT be a residence. It CANNOT be a PO Box.

30. In no more than five sentences, summarize identity, social, and economic characteristics of the general population within the geographic community to be served by your AmeriCorps members. \*

31. Will your AmeriCorps members be focused on delivering services to any of the following population communities and individuals? Check those that apply. \*

- Communities with concentrated poverty
- Rural communities
- Tribal communities
- Communities of color
- Immigrants and refugees
- People with disabilities
- People who identify as part of the LGBTQIA+ community
- People with arrest and/or conviction records
- Youth returning to their communities from juvenile residential or correctional facilities
- Religious minorities
- Veterans and military families, caregivers, and survivors
- Other

32. Using key words, identify the forms of social discord affecting the general population or focus populations of the geographic communities your AmeriCorps members will be serving. \*

See the application instructions at: <https://peacethroughaction.org/AmeriCorpsSites> for the application instructions, which includes suggested key words. Or, use your own key words.

33. In no more than three sentences, describe the role current or historical structural and institutional inequities faced by your geographic communities' general population or focus populations may play in contributing to social discord. \*

34. In no more than three sentences, describe the social assets of your geographic communities' general population or focus populations. \*

Instead of looking at what a community lacks, an assets frame focuses on utilizing the assets that are within the community. This approach facilitates the empowerment of individuals and communities by helping them to identify and share their strengths and then work together to create their own social innovations.

35. Will your AmeriCorps members provide capacity-building services to any of the following organization types, (including your own organization)? \*

Capacity building encompasses activities that expand the scale, reach, efficiency, or effectiveness of organizations and/or their programmatic activities.

- Organizations with annual revenues below \$500,000
- Organizations that have not, to your knowledge, received prior funding/members from AmeriCorps
- Faith-based organizations

36. In no more than three sentences, describe how your organization will provide your AmeriCorps members a high-quality orientation to the communities they will serve that is from an asset-based frame and guided and informed by the community. \*

37. Might your organization provide basic needs assistance to your AmeriCorps members such as food, housing, or personal transportation? If yes, describe.

Organizations are NOT required to provide any basic needs assistance.

38. Civic bridging through dialogues will be a primary activity of Peace Through Action AmeriCorps members. Peace Through Action will ensure members are trained in several dialogue methods. Organizations may choose one or more of these methods, or have their members implement another method. Which methods might your organization adopt as part of your participation in Peace Through Action AmeriCorps? \*

See the application instructions at <https://peacethroughaction.org/AmeriCorpsSites> for method descriptions.

- Essential Partners
- Compassion and Renewal Approach
- Healing the Heart of Democracy
- Other

39. Regardless of the dialogue method(s) you select, estimate the percentage of full-time your AmeriCorps members will spend on organizing and delivering dialogue activities. \*

Example. A full-time member spending two-thirds of their time on dialogues would be 0.67 FTE. A half-time member spending two-thirds of their time on dialogues would be 0.34 FTE (0.67 divided by 2).

40. Estimate the total number of community members who will participate in at least one dialogue activity organized and delivered by your AmeriCorps members over a 12-month period. \*

41. Organizations may have their AmeriCorps members deliver direct services activities and capacity building activities in addition to dialogues. Which of the following activities might your organization have your members deliver? \*

See the application instructions at <https://peacethroughaction.org/AmeriCorpsSites> for activity descriptions.

- Peace Explorers Action Planning
- Peaceful Leaders Youth Development
- Super Practical Solutions Series
- Practical Peaceful Skills Basic Trainings
- De-Escalation/Unarmed Civilian Protection Team Volunteer Recruitment
- Violence Early Warning System Volunteer Recruitment
- Community Organizing for Peace
- All of the above
- None of the above

42. Organizations may assign their AmeriCorps members civic engagement, social cohesion, and peacebuilding activities of their own choice. If you wish to do so, briefly describe those activities here.

Describing the activities here does not guarantee your AmeriCorps members will do them. Peace Through Action will review the activities to ensure they are allowable, consistent with the purpose of Peace Through Action AmeriCorps, and feasible to be completed by an AmeriCorps member.

43. Verify your understanding that Peace Through Action AmeriCorps members will be required to organize or participate in projects on the National Days of Service (MLK Day and 09/11 Day). \*

- Yes, I understand
- No, I do not understand

44. Estimate the number of volunteers your AmeriCorps members will recruit and/or support in furtherance of the primary and secondary activities they will undertake. \*

45. Describe what these volunteers will be doing. \*



46. Verify your understanding that AmeriCorps members are prohibited from engaging in the following activities:

Attempting to influence legislation.

Organizing or engaging in protests, petitions, boycotts, or strikes.

Assisting, promoting, or deterring union organizing.

Impairing existing contracts for services or collective bargaining agreements.

Engaging in partisan political activities, or other activities designed to influence the outcome of an election to any public office.

Participating in, or endorsing, events or activities that are likely to include advocacy for or against political parties, political platforms, political candidates, proposed legislation, or elected officials.

Engaging in religious instruction, conducting worship services, providing instruction as part of a program that includes mandatory religious instruction or worship, constructing or operating facilities devoted to religious instruction or worship, maintaining facilities primarily or inherently devoted to religious instruction or worship, or engaging in any form of religious proselytization.

Providing a direct benefit to— a business organized for profit, a labor union, a partisan political organization, a nonprofit organization that fails to comply with the restrictions contained in IRS section 501(c)(3), and an organization engaged in religious activities, unless Corporation assistance is not used to support those religious activities.

Conducting a voter registration drive or using Corporation funds to conduct a voter registration drive.

Providing abortion services or referrals for receipt of such services.

Engaging in census activities.

Providing services for election or polling locations or in support of such activities.

Serving as clerical or other secretarial support for any service site.

Supervising other AmeriCorps members.

Duplicating an activity that is already available in the area.

Displacing employees or volunteers, infringing on promotional opportunities, or supplanting the hiring of employed workers. \*

Yes, I understand

No, I do not understand

47. Verify your understanding that your organization will have to have in place steady physical locations other than residences from which your AmeriCorps members will serve. \*

Yes, I understand

No, I do not understand

48. Verify your understanding that your organization will need to assign responsibility to a person with frequent "sight and sound" observation of and regular contact with each AmeriCorps member for purposes of verifying their claimed service hours. \*

Yes, I understand

No, I do not understand

49. Please consent or not consent to Peace Through Action including your organization as a prospective service site in our FY 2024 national direct application to AmeriCorps. \*

Yes, I consent

No, I do not consent

50. Please consent or not consent to Peace Through Action identifying your organization as a prospective Peace Through Action AmeriCorps service site in other applications for funding and in our communications about the application and future program. \*

Yes, I consent

No, I do not consent

51. Rate the quality of information Peace Through Action provided to assist you in deciding to apply to join our AmeriCorps application.



52. Rate your experience with the time it took to complete this application. 1 = longer than I expected; 2 = about what I expected 3 = quicker than I expected.

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53. Tell us anything else you think we should know about your organization, your community, your civic engagement, social cohesion, and peacebuilding activities, and/or your experience thus far with Peace Through Action USA.

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