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City of Boise Parks & Recreation, Teen Out-of-School Program – Boise, ID
Position title: 4-H AmeriCorps Youth Development Instructor
Capacity: Full-Time (11 Month term) September/October 2019- July 31, 2020
Contracted Service Hours: 1700 * Stipend: \$14,000

Overview of Position: Boise Parks & Recreation (BPR) is partnering with University of Idaho Extension 4-H to offer a full-time AmeriCorps position to serve in BPR's teen programming! AmeriCorps, the domestic equivalent of the Peace Corps, is a nationwide program of dedicated individuals who connect communities to provide opportunities that enrich the lives of underserved and underrepresented populations.

This position will specifically work with youth ages 12 – 15 and will be executing programming specifically designed to improve social-emotional development, reduce risky behaviors, and increase academic interest and engagement in STEAM subjects through Positive Youth Development out-of-school time programs.

Program Location:

- Boise Parks & Recreation
 - Fort Boise Community Center, 700 W. Robbins Rd. Boise, ID 83702
 - South Junior High, 3101 Cassia St, Boise, ID 83705

Member Duties & Responsibilities:

AmeriCorps is America's National Service initiative. Through AmeriCorps, individuals of all ages and backgrounds address the nation's education, public safety, environment, and/or human needs through service. The mission of AmeriCorps includes: getting things done, strengthening communities, encouraging responsibility, and expanding opportunity.

Idaho 4-H AmeriCorps members contribute to this effort by: Teaching, leading, and facilitating youth development curriculum in STEAM based out-of-school time programs; Facilitating family engagement events; Serving as mentors and role models, teaching important life skills, and giving youth positive opportunities to explore the world around them in a fun, engaging, non-formal learning environment; Engaging new volunteers in their local programs to serve as 4-H leaders and event volunteers. Idaho 4-H AmeriCorps members will also submit regular progress reports and evaluate programs according to instructions, participate in required community service-learning projects and trainings and provide support and development of community partnerships

Additional duties of this position will include:

- Work daily with BPR's Community Partnership & Youth Rec Manager to lead, plan and execute outreach, activities, and field trips for afterschool teen centers and intermittent teen events and outings.
- Plan and execute out-of-school activities that serve teens, specifically focused on the teen centers at South Junior High, Fort Boise Community Center, and summer & spring break teen-based camps.
- Building monthly/quarterly calendar of activities and supervise teens during programs.
- Market activities to teens by encouraging teens to participate, post/promote daily activities offered, track teen feedback, and work with teen council to get teen voice into program.
- Ensure registration of youth into activities and enrollment on 4Honline.
- Help participants complete 4-H projects (Examples may be: Know Your Government, Public Speaking, STEM projects, Build Your Future, or other activities.)

- Provide support and be present at community/special events with 4-H presence (e.g. National -Youth Science Day, FIRST LEGO League tournament, Know Your Government, Idaho Outdoor Quest, and other youth community events.)
- Maintain active relationship with the employees at the Ada County 4-H, UI Extension office

Minimum Qualifications & Skill requirements:

- 19 years or older with high school diploma/GED equivalent
- U.S. citizen, or U.S. national lawful permanent resident
- Satisfy the National Service Criminal History Check eligibility criteria
- Commitment to community service and ability to provide service for the complete term
- Ability to maintain professional boundaries with youth, families, partners, and coworkers
- Willingness to attend and travel to all AmeriCorps meetings, site trainings and “days of service”
- Ability and willingness to facilitate STEAM/teen programming and recruit/train volunteers to do the same
- Enjoy serving with youth ages, specifically middle school ages, 12 - 15
- Dedication to interact professionally and maintain a professional appearance
- Commitment to serving others and working with diverse audiences
- Willingness to lead and be flexible and creative in a fluid environment
- Demonstrated problem solving, teamwork, decision-making, conflict resolution skills
- Ability to utilize computers and current standard computer software (Word, PowerPoint, Publisher, Excel) including web-based applications
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Program Benefits:

- Member Living Allowance (\$14,000/full-time service term)
- Segal Education Award upon completion of service to help pay for college, graduate school, or vocational training, or to repay student loans (\$6,095 for full-time service, 1700 hours)
- Professional development training
- Childcare assistance if eligible
- Health coverage available if eligible

Terms:

- The member will average 40 hours per week (total 1700 hours)
- Must wear required AmeriCorps gear while serving
- Valid driver’s license and access to a reliable vehicle
- Willingness and ability to conduct and attend evening and weekend activities and meetings.
- Willingness and ability to travel to other work sites.

To apply for this position, please email resume and cover letter with subject line “AmeriCorps” to Marie Hattaway, BPR’s Community Partnership & Youth Rec Manager at mhattaway@cityofboise.org

For additional information regarding this AmeriCorps position, please contact: Marie Hattaway | 700 W. Robbins Rd. Boise, ID 83702 (208)608-7688 | mhattaway@cityofboise.org