
ServeMinnesota Overview.

How We Support Our State and YOU!

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ServeMN

The Power of AmeriCorps.
The Power of You.





What is ServeMinnesota?



Minnesota's Commission on National and Community Service

We make AmeriCorps happen in Minnesota...

creating **life-changing** national service opportunities,
leading the nation in **high-impact**, proven AmeriCorps programs,
bringing more federal resources than any other state.

Why does that **matter**?

People who serve in our programs know that
their time and service makes a difference.



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Vision

We ignite hope and inspire action for a better future.

Mission

To strengthen Minnesota through high-impact service

Values

Community, Partnership, Innovation, Accountability



AmeriCorps is...



National service program



All backgrounds and life stages from 18-alive!

2,000 AmeriCorps members in MN, more than twice the national average!



Service = Volunteering to the next level



Minnesota Opportunities



Education



Environment

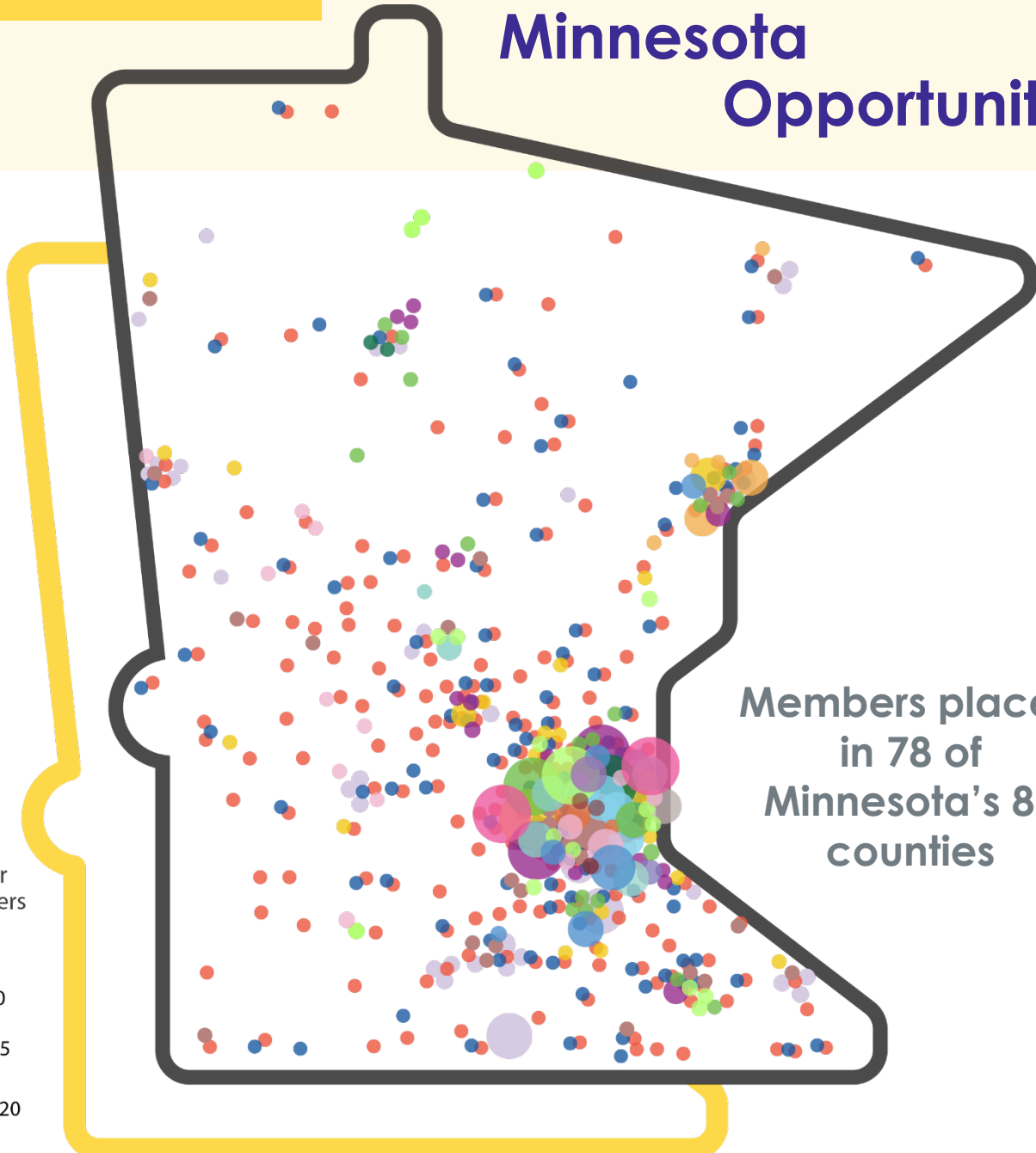


Community Building

- Breakthrough Twin Cities
- Climate Impact Corps
- College Possible
- Community Technology Empowerment Project (CTEP)
- Conservation Corps
- Early Learning Corps
- Heading Home Corps
- Math Corps
- Minnesota Alliance With Youth-Promise Fellows
- Minnesota Climate Energy Corps
- Minnesota GreenCorps
- Minnesota Public Health Corps
- Reading Corps
- Recovery Corps
- Resettlement Corps
- Summer Impact Corps
- Total Learning Classroom
- True North AmeriCorps
- Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

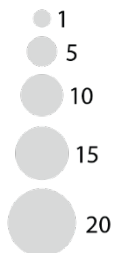
New Programs in 2024

- Eco3
- Improve Your Tomorrow
- Teach for America



Members placed
in 78 of
Minnesota's 87
counties

Number of Members



By the Numbers: 2023-24

2,106 members served at **902** sites throughout the state



Education



Environment



Community Building

What Do Members Do?

Education

- Tutor reading & math
- Mentor youth
- Teach social-emotional skills; mental health
- Help prepare for college

Environment

- Weatherize Homes
- Plant and inventory trees
- Clean trails and waterways
- Educate Children and adults
- Disaster relief

Housing

- Connect people to housing and other public resources
- Build and renovate affordable housing

Health

- Assess community health resources to identify gaps
- Support people in recovery from substance use disorders

Community Building

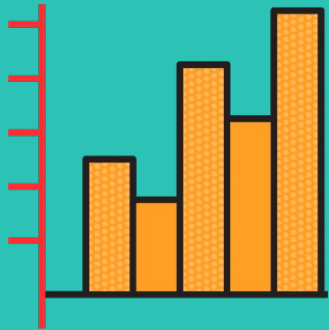
- Teach technology skills
- Help new Minnesotans navigate legal services, housing, and education



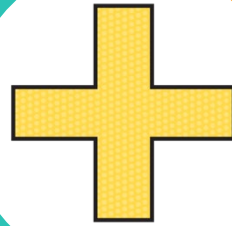
Making an Impact

Blending the People Power of AmeriCorps with the Science of What Works

SCIENCE

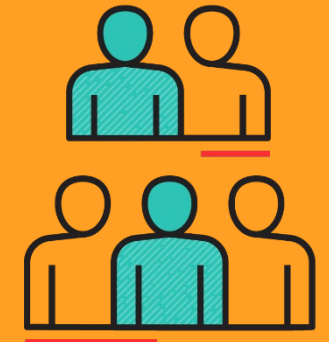


- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Empirical Research
- Implementation Fidelity
- Culturally Relevant



SERVICE

The Power of
AmeriCorps



Real Positive Impact

Mission Moments

“Wanting to be a teacher was always lurking under the surface for me, and serving with Reading Corps and Math Corps helped me move to the next level. Today, I’m a 6th grade teacher in Minneapolis Public Schools.”



Reading Corps

Keven served with Reading Corps and Math Corps to see what it was really like to work with kids all day, every day. He used his AmeriCorps education award to get his teaching license, as well as pay back his student loans.

Mission Moments

“Health education, community health outreach, nursing... those are things you might think of right away. But then there's IT, public health communications, business accounting, and grant management too.”



Public Health Corps

Ethan is a Public Health Specialist with **Steele County Public Health**, after serving with **Public Health Corps**.



Mission Moments

“Serving was one of the best decisions I’ve ever made.”

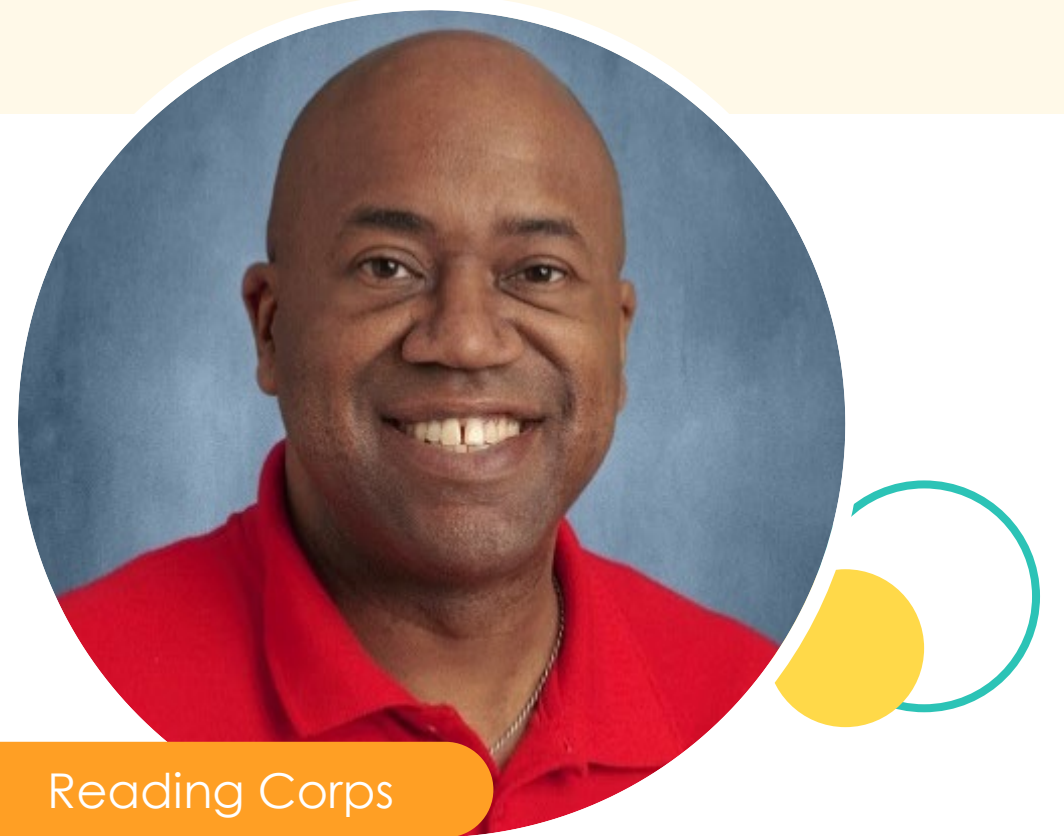


Minnesota GreenCorps

Mari is a senior policy associate at St. Paul-based clean-energy policy nonprofit **Fresh Energy**. After serving with **Habitat for Humanity** and **Minnesota GreenCorps**, she uncovered her passion for energy and housing justice.

Mission Moments

Being new to Minnesota, I appreciate the opportunity to tutor students in my children's school.



*Paul's family is new to Minnesota, having recently moved from California, and is serving with **Reading Corps**.*

Mission Moments

“I was inspired to serve by my mom, who always made sure I learned about my Dakota culture and by my daughters, who I want to be sure are connected to the community as well.”



Climate Impact Corps

Travis is a **Climate Impact Corps** member serving at Wakan Tipi Awanyankapi in Saint Paul. By trade, Travis is a union steelworker, but due to life circumstances, he needed a change.

Mission Moments

Guy Havelka



Reading Corps

“To see a child’s eyes light up when they reach their goal or when it hits them that they can read fluently is priceless.”

Served 2013-2020
Princeton

Renea Maxfield



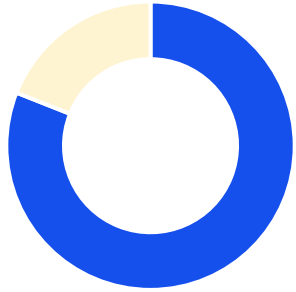
Heading Home Corps

“I work to remove obstacles for people ages 17-70.”

Serving since 2021
Minneapolis

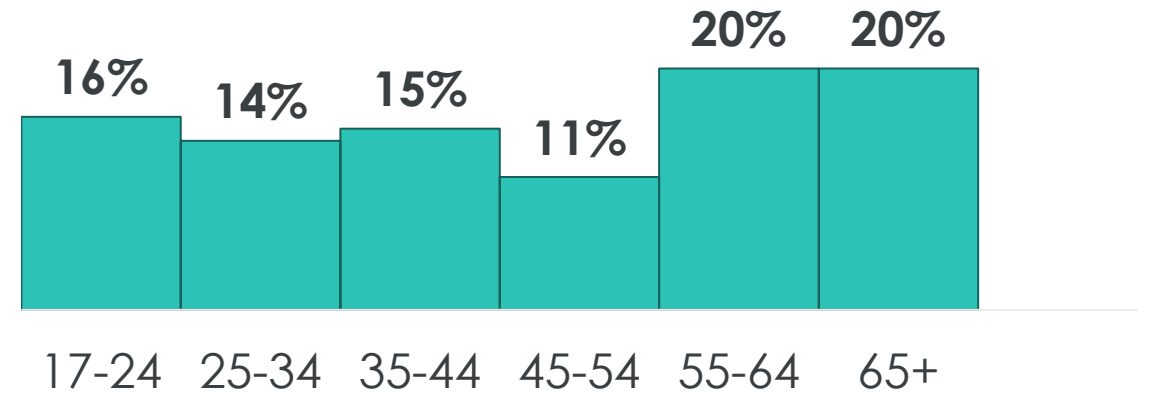
Member Demographics- All

GENDER

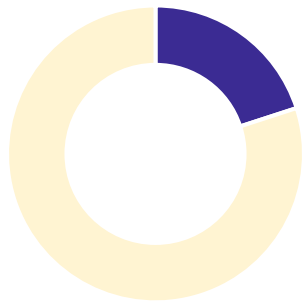


81% women

AGE

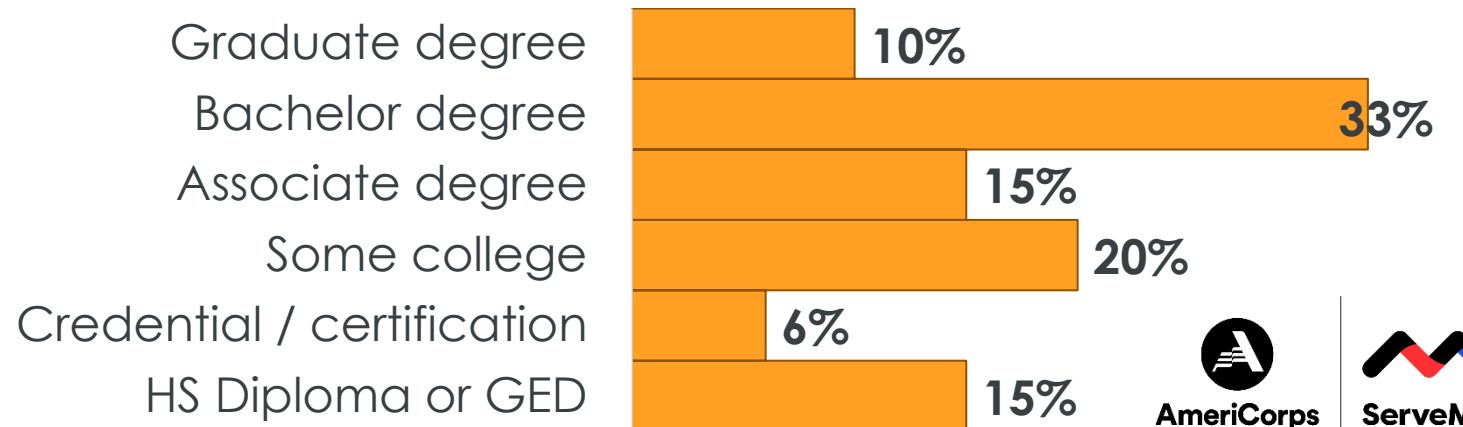


RACE/ETHNICITY



20% identify as BIPOC

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL



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Why Serve with AmeriCorps?

Career Pathway To What's Next

- Gap Year: High School & College Grads
- People in transition/returning to workforce
- People receiving public assistance
- People 55+: Encore Career + re-fire-ment



Paid Public Service as a Career Pathway

Qualifications:

- Age 18 by start date
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Citizen, national or lawful permanent resident alien of the U.S.



AmeriCorps Members

Benefits

- Gain on-the-job and resume-building experience
- Hands-on learning
- Change the community for the better
- Try something new
- Build your network

Many programs offer full- or part-time positions

Year of Opportunity

- Paid every two weeks – many programs at or above \$15/hour
- Earn money for education or student loans - \$7,345
- Paid training
- Health insurance
- Childcare assistance



Workforce Development



AmeriCorps Members Have The Skills Employers Seek

600+ Employers of National Service prioritize resumes with AmeriCorps



- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Communication
- Adaptability and agility
- Analytical reasoning
- Creative thinking
- Data analysis
- Applied problem solving
- Engaging diversity

Current Career Pathway Opportunities



Education

- **MN Grow Your Own Teacher (MNGOT):** Academic support for individuals with a bachelor's degree to earn a master's degree and elementary teaching license from University of Minnesota.



Environment

- **Home Energy Initiative:** Earn a Building Sciences Principles Certificate and have the option to add the Building Analyst Certification to pursue a career in weatherization.



Recovery

- Receive free substance use recovery coach academy training to become a Certified Peer Recovery Specialist.



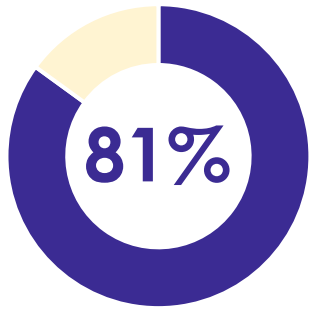
Public Health

- Train in leadership development, data collection, and evaluation provided in partnership with The University of Minnesota School of Public Health.

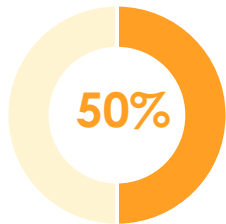




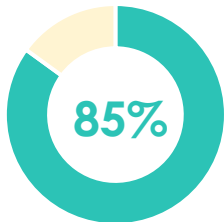
Members' Post-Service Career Interests: Social Services



Interested in a career in social services post-service



Housing Navigators with lived experience with housing insecurity

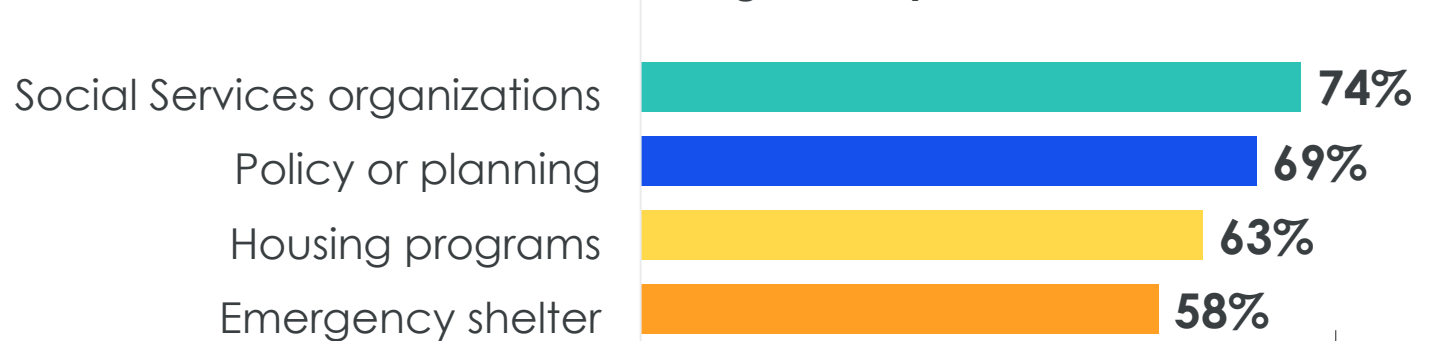


Recovery members have lived experience with substance use disorders

Interest in Recovery / substance use disorders careers



Interest in housing security careers



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What AmeriCorps Alums Say



85%

Serving advanced their career goals

80%

Serving opened up professional and personal networks to support their career development

47%

Working or pursuing further education in the field post-service



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ServeMinnesota is here for YOU!

- Responsive partner with the State of Minnesota and hundreds of schools, community organizations, and local government sites
- Highest impact AmeriCorps programs in the country
- Amazing opportunities for resume building, experience and networking.
- Opportunities in every part of the state
- Unexpected perks



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