



A Unique Partnership *Public Health AmeriCorps*

Public Health AmeriCorps is a groundbreaking new initiative to support the recruitment, training, and development of the next generation of public health professionals.

The program leverages AmeriCorps' experience managing prominent public service and workforce development programs while benefitting from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's expertise as the country's leading public health agency. Public Health AmeriCorps is a critical component of CDC's effort to develop a strong, diverse workforce to face the public health challenges of the future.

Public Health AmeriCorps Goals

Reaching More People in More Communities

Public Health AmeriCorps provides resources to advance more equitable health outcomes for communities through grant funding to organizations that recruit AmeriCorps members to serve at the forefront of public health. This diverse corps of members immediately boosts capacity for community health efforts, including chronic disease prevention, mental health and substance use efforts, food insecurity, and violence reduction.



Connecting People to Public Health Career Pathways

Public Health AmeriCorps participants must be at least 17 years old and willing to learn; members do not need any prior experience or education. The program creates pathways to public health careers by providing hands-on experience and training and recruits members who reflect the communities they serve.

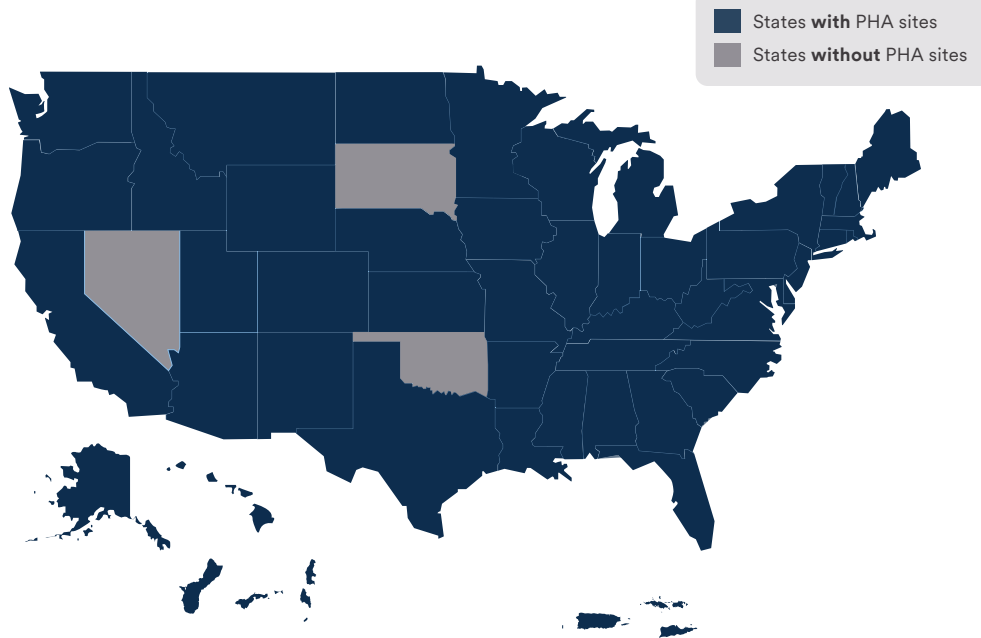
Public Health AmeriCorps engages individuals in a year of service while building a stronger public health workforce that is prepared to address our nation's public health challenges. AmeriCorps members gain on-the-ground experience in a public health setting while earning a modest living allowance and a Segal Education Award that may be used to repay student loans and current educational expenses. Members are on average earlier in their careers, more diverse, and have less access to higher education than the public health workforce – and they exit this program with skills that carry weight on a resume.



Public Health AmeriCorps Reach:

\$160 million to more than 100 local, regional, and national nonprofit organizations, health departments, higher education institutions, and tribes.

More than 3,600 Public Health AmeriCorps members already serving in almost every state, Guam and Puerto Rico. Actively recruiting members across the country!



Public Health AmeriCorps members are:



Racially diverse

49%* of members identify as non-white as compared to **46%** in the public health workforce at large**



Early in their career journeys

70%* of members are under the age of 30 as compared to **13%** in the public health workforce at large**



Yet to complete a college degree

43%* of members report not having a college degree



Serving in hard-to-staff rural communities

18%* of members serve(d) in rural communities

*Data from start of the program to present (June 2022 to October 2023), includes active members and alumni. This resource reflects preliminary data trends based on a point-in-time analysis. Recruitment for the program is ongoing.

**Source: de Beaumont Foundation and Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, [Public Health Workforce Interests and Needs Survey: 2021 Dashboard](#).