How will you give back?

BECOME A MEMBER
Dedicate 10 months of your life or even just a summer to serving the community.

DONATE MONEY OR SUPPLIES
Your donations help support our members and their service in the community.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME
Volunteer along side KEYS members to help with a range of projects from one-time service projects to ongoing tutoring and mentoring.

Apply to become an AmeriCorps member

Visit www.keysservicecorps.org or email Kimberly.Ferry@alleghenycounty.us

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DHS is
responsible for providing and administering publicly funded human services to Allegheny County residents.

DHS Principles
All services will be:

- High quality, comprehensive and accessible.
- Individualized and designed to be respectful of the unique cultural characteristics of each individual and/or community.
- Integrated and offered through a team approach that recognizes the capacity of individuals and families to identify their own strengths, needs and goals; create relationships and natural supports; and take steps necessary to accomplish these goals.

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KEYS Service Corps
knowledge to empower youth to success

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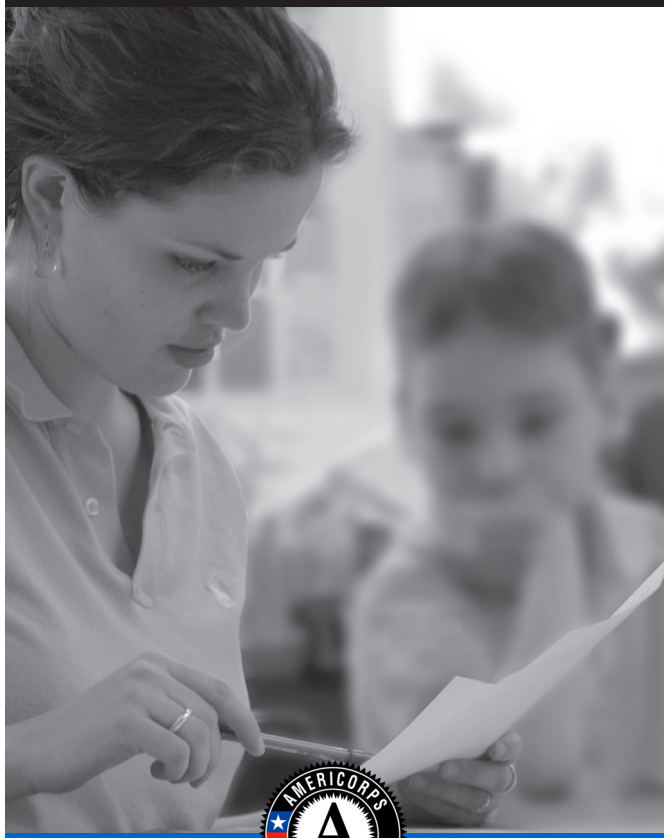


Everybody can be great, because anyone can serve.

Getting things done

Since 1996, KEYS Service Corps AmeriCorps members have been serving Allegheny County youth in local schools, after-school programs, and community-based and faith-based organizations. The primary activities for our members are tutoring, mentoring, and engaging youth in service projects year-round.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members receive a modest living allowance and may be eligible for forbearance on qualified student loans, child care, health insurance, and, upon successful completion, money for their education.

One of the main criteria businesses, government, schools and non-profits look for in candidates is experience...skills that can only be learned by doing. Gain experience with us and find your calling!

"When I see how much I have helped make a difference in so many lives in such a short span of time, I can honestly say this has been the hardest and most rewarding year of my life."

- KEYS AmeriCorps member

Member impact

Over 2,000 members, trained in professional development and civic engagement, have proven their talents and polished their resumes.

In addition, KEYS AmeriCorps members have earned, in all, more than $4.7 million to pay for their education.

After completing their terms of service, our members continue to be active citizens in their communities - many going on to be hired at their host sites.

Youth impact

Every year, KEYS AmeriCorps members mentor and tutor several hundred youth across Allegheny County.

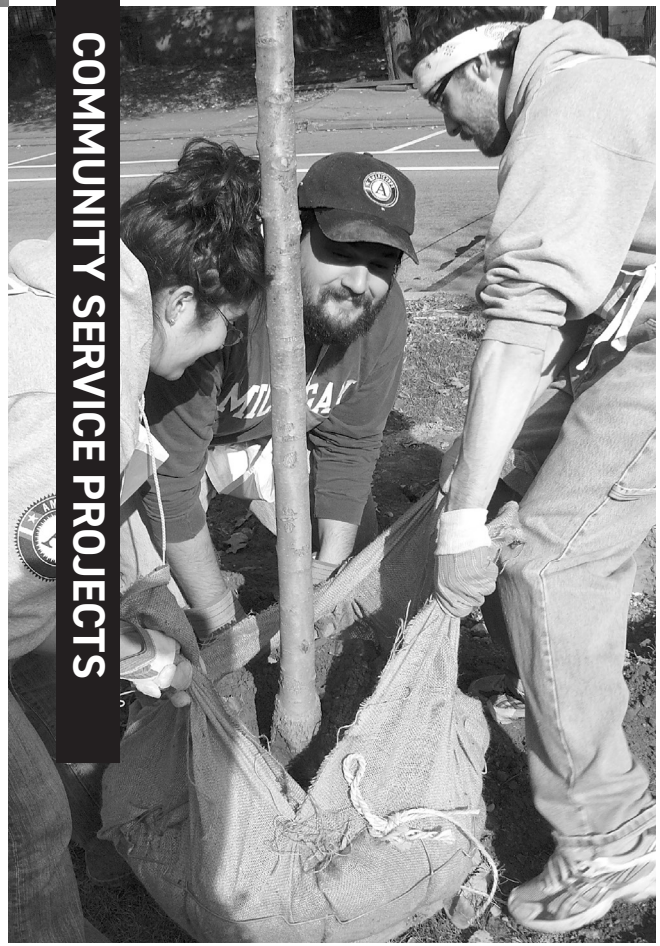
KEYS AmeriCorps members ...

- Assist in the classrooms and with after-school programs
- Provide homework/classroom assistance
- Lead learning activities and discussions
- Design and guide arts projects
- Mentor youth
- Have fun

MENTORING » TUTORING » COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Community impact

KEYS AmeriCorps members have inspired thousands of youth and adults to volunteer and, together with the youth at their host sites, have designed and implemented hundreds of service projects.

Some of these projects are:

- Restoring buildings
- Creating urban gardens
- Community arts projects
- Recycling initiatives
- Oral history projects
- Community center creation
- Food drives
- Blanket drives
- Clothing drives