Construction Crew Leader - 2020-21

For one year, you can get paid to build sustainable solutions in a community, gain valuable hands on experience and prepare for your future. This full-time AmeriCorps service position offers a great opportunity to make a real impact in the lives of others while building your own knowledge and skillset.

AmeriCorps National members serve the community in direct service and capacity building activities.

What will you do?

The construction crew leader plays an integral part in building and repairing homes. Lead groups of skills and unskilled volunteers and homeowner families in construction activities while maintaining a safe, efficient work environment, thus, developing and enhancing your volunteer management and construction skills.

*Typically serve Tuesday – Saturday on the build site.
*Assist with all aspects of hands-on construction tasks including, but not limited to, demolition, site prep, framing, insulation, drywall, flooring, roofing, finish carpentry and landscaping.
*Projects may include new construction, rehabilitation, critical home repair and weatherization projects.
*Lead small groups of volunteers and facilitate safe and positive experiences for everyone working on site.
*Maintain site safety by adhering to Habitat construction safety policies, modeling best practices and guidelines, volunteer education and site monitoring.

Where will you serve?

Merrimack Valley Habitat is seeking an AmeriCorps member to act as a community leader, helping us serve our volunteers and families alike. Over the past 34 years, we have worked within 22 counties, stretching from Massachusetts's north shore to southern New Hampshire, to bring affordable housing to over 85 families. You will join a passionate team of volunteers and staff who are dedicated to helping our community become the best it can be. You will be an integral partner in helping us grow and train our volunteer base and ultimately provide even more families with a safe place to call home. Just 45 minutes north of Boston, you have New England at your fingertips! Whether you like spending a day at the beach, exploring New England’s historic towns, or just cheering our local sports teams, Merrimack Valley will quickly start to feel like home. Come help us provide that feeling of home to even more families www.merrimackvalleyhabitat.org/
Benefits of AmeriCorps service

*Living allowance $15,850 for approximately 10 ½ months of service.
*Segal Education Award of $6,195, upon successful completion of service.
*Health care benefits and enrollment in Employee Assistance Plan.
*Personal and medical leave — approximately 10 days total.
*Possible forbearance or deferment of qualified student loans.
*Child care benefits, if you qualify.
*Worker’s compensation insurance.

Minimum Requirements

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, national or lawful permanent resident at least 18 or older and have a high school diploma or GED.

Preferred Qualifications

*Knowledge of, and willingness to promote, the mission and activities of Habitat for Humanity International and AmeriCorps.
*Ability to work with a diverse group of people.
*Strong verbal communication skills.
*Experience working with volunteers, teaching or group facilitation.
*Experience working as a member of a team.
*Basic experience with Microsoft Office Suite, especially Word and Excel.
*Current valid driver’s license, a clean driving record and reliable transportation.
*Ability to drive large pick-up trucks (or willingness to learn)

To apply, please email a cover letter and professional resume to Volunteer@MerrimackValleyHabitat.org.

All interviews will be via video calls.