

GREEN IOWA AMERICORPS | LAND & WATER STEWARDS

MEMBER POSITION DESCRIPTION

PROGRAM NAME: GREEN IOWA AMERICORPS | LAND & WATER STEWARDS
POSITION TITLE: MINIMUM -TIME (SUMMER) MEMBER
DATES OF SERVICE: 05/17/2021 to 08/13/2021 or 06/1/2021 to 8/31/2021
LOCATION: University of Northern Iowa Tallgrass Prairie Center

LIVING ALLOWANCE: \$2,750 total paid in monthly installments over term of service

NSCHC REQUIREMENT: This member will be serving in an AmeriCorps program that gives them reoccurring access to vulnerable populations (children age 17 and younger, person age 60 or older, or individuals with disabilities as defined by the ADA), requiring a 3-part background check.

WORK SCHEDULE: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday - Friday; some weekends, some variation, some holidays
Scheduling may vary slightly depending on the guidelines agreed upon by all members and their host site. Member may not schedule other work commitments during these hours. Vacation, sick leave, and holidays are not counted toward the hours needed to complete the term.

VOLUNTEERS: Members will recruit and manage volunteers as part of outreach events, member's required Independent Projects (IP's), and during National Days of Service. Volunteers will participate in projects related to the focus area of environmental stewardship.

HOOR COMMITMENT: Program staff will ensure that members do not exceed the limitation on member service hours spent in fundraising (no more than 10% of total member hours) or training (no more than 20% of total member hours). Members must agree to be conscious of these hour limitations and spend their service hours accordingly.

POSITION QUALIFICATIONS:

- Be 17 years or older (no upper age limit) by the start date
- Pass a national service criminal history check
- Hold one of the following citizenship statuses: U.S. citizen, U.S. National, Lawful Permanent Resident Aliens and persons residing in a state that have the following legal residency classifications: refugee, asylum or asylee, temporary protected status, or deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA) status.
- Have a valid driver's license

BENEFITS:

- Eligible for Living allowance (\$2,750) - distributed evenly over the course of 3 months from the University of Northern Iowa
- [Segal Education Award](#) upon successful completion of the program (\$1,289.95 total)

MEMBER DUTIES:

- Learn native plant and weed ID skills to help landowners and roadside managers with their conservation projects; training provided by Tallgrass Prairie Center staff
- Travel to Prairie on Farms and roadside sites and document plant establishment; fill out data sheets, take pictures of sites
- Use GPS to determine areas with noxious weeds at Prairie on Farms sites and GIS to map locations of weeds
- Plant Materials Program
 - Land management activities
 - Root pot workdays
- Assist with outreach events
- Take pictures and videos of sites and people for marketing materials
- Assist with annual distribution of prairie seed to county roadside programs, if it occurs during the summer at the Tallgrass Prairie Center
- Additional/related duties as they arise, including some possible office work such as gathering information and summarizing it in Word documents or Excel spreadsheets, labeling pictures, and editing videos
- Develop an independent project that meets the sustainability needs of the host site and community, while also increasing member's own interests and passions

TO APPLY:

Go to the Green Iowa AmeriCorps website at <https://www.greeniowaamericorps.org>, go to Employment Opportunities apply for the 2021 Summer Stewards program, and select Cedar Falls-Tallgrass Prairie Center as the site where you would like to serve. Questions can be sent to giacreruitment@gmail.com.