



2019-2020 Serve Louisiana Corps Member Application



CONTACT INFORMATION

First and last name	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Street Address	
City, State Zip Code	
Permanent Address (if didn't from above)	
Street Address	
City, State Zip Code	

PERSONAL HISTORY

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1. Are you a US citizen or Permanent Legal Resident? (If not, please confirm eligibility on our website).

2. Have you previously applied to AmeriCorps or Serve Louisiana (previously known as Louisiana Delta Service Corps)? If no, skip to question 5.

If yes, give application date and name of corps:

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3. Have you interviewed for an AmeriCorps or LDSC position?

4. Have you previously served in AmeriCorps or LDSC?

If yes, give dates of service and name of corps:

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5. Do you plan to be a student during the 2019-20 academic year? (Students will be accepted on a case by case basis as members will be expected to serve full time, 40 hours per week and attend all team meetings, service projects, and retreats.)

6. Serve Louisiana members receive a modest living allowance of \$14,000 over 11 months. Would this allow you to meet your financial obligations?

7. The service term with Serve Louisiana is September 1—July 31. Can you commit to these 11 months?

8. Serve Louisiana members must attend two, three-day overnight training sessions. Can you commit to this requirement?
9. Do you have a use for an education award (\$6,095)? It can only be used by you.
10. Are you able to serve full-time (40 hours/week)?
11. Do you have reliable transportation?
12. Will you agree to a criminal background check? See consent form for specific disqualifiers.
13. Are you seventeen years of age or older?
14. Do you have a high school diploma or GED?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)

These questions are optional to comply with federal civil rights laws. Your responses will remain confidential.

1. Gender: Female Male Non-binary/Third Gender Prefer to self-describe

2. Date of Birth (month-day-year):

3. Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

If no, please give us your:

Alien registration #:

Visa type:

Expiration date:

4. Categories that describe you:

White (ex: German, Irish, Polish, French, etc)

Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin (ex: Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Colombian, etc

Black or African American (ex: African Am., Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, etc)

Asian (ex: Chinese, Filipino, Asian Indian, Vietnamese, Korean etc)

American Indian or Alaska Native (ex: Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, etc)

Middle Eastern or North African (ex: Lebanese, Iranian, Egyptian, Syrian, Moroccan, Pakistani etc) Native Hawaii or

Other Pacific Islander (ex: Native Hawaiian, Samoan, Fijian, etc)

Some other race, ethnicity, or origin

LOCATION AND ORGANIZATIONS OF INTEREST,

list cities and organizations where you would like to serve

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY,

list employment, beginning with most recent

Employer	Supervisor	Title	Duties	Period Employed	Reason for Leaving

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, list any community, social, church, neighborhood, or professional projects or programs where you have volunteered

Organization	Description of volunteer activities	Dates active	Point person and contact information

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EDUCATION HISTORY, list schools attended, beginning with most recent

School and location	Area of Study	Degree and date achieved	Dates attended

Select All Preferred Positions:

Volunteer Coordinator
Technology and Social Media Coordinator
Program Outreach and Community Awareness Coordinator
Program Development Coordinator

Select All Preferred Fields of Service:

Fitness
Nutrition Outreach/Education
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention
Homelessness
HIV/AIDS prevention
Environmental Protection
Legal Services

INTERESTS, please list any skills, interests, and hobbies

MOTIVATIONAL STATEMENTS, in a separate document, please typed responses to the following questions. Please note that your responses will be considered writing samples.

1. Why do you want to be a Serve Louisiana member?
2. We believe that we can learn from each other's experiences and beliefs. We expect to challenge each other and to be challenged. Tell us about a time when another person or group of people challenged your beliefs or ideals and how you handled it.
3. Serve Louisiana members earn a small living allowance, roughly equivalent to the local poverty level. How do you anticipate this will affect you during the course of the year?
4. Failure and contradictions are opportunities for learning and growth. Reflect on a professional challenge or failure. Describe how this challenge or failure helped you become aware of assumptions or ways of thinking that were not productive or beneficial, and what you learned.
5. Serve Louisiana involves corps members in the goal setting, planning and facilitation of their personal and professional development meetings. What is important about leadership development? How will you be a leader among your fellow Serve Louisiana members?
6. What are your long-term goals and how do you see that a year with Serve Louisiana would help to achieve them?
7. Reflect on a time you took action around a local, national, or global cause that you cared passionately about.
8. During your service term, you will work as a team with your coworkers, with your fellow corps members, and people living in your community. We work to help members understand and serve with guiding principles of open-mindedness, responsibility, and wholeheartedness. What might be challenging about working as part of a team with these principles in mind?
9. What does it mean to do good work?
10. If you complete your service satisfactorily, you will earn an award that can be used to further your education or to pay back federally-insured student loans. How do you plan to use these funds? Please be specific.

SUBMISSION, Email the following to maggie@servelouisiana.org:

- Completed application
- Responses to Motivational Statements
- Completed reference forms (One community reference and one employer reference)
- Signed application signature page
- Copy or photo of birth certificate
- Copy or photo of signed social security card
- Copy or photo of driver's license or government-issued photo ID

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CERTIFICATION

I certify that all of the statements made in this application are true, correct, and complete, to the best of my knowledge, and are made in good faith. I understand that misinformation or omission of information could result in disqualification and/or termination as an AmeriCorps member. I also understand that my selection for participation in some AmeriCorps programs may require drug testing. Background and security checks may also be conducted by some programs.

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE: The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C § 552a) requires that the following notice be provided to you: The authority for collecting information from you in this application is contained in 42 U.S.C 12592 and 12615 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 as amended, and 42 U.S.C 4953 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 as amended. You are advised that submission of the information is entirely voluntary, but the requested information is required in order for you to participate in AmeriCorps programs.

By signing below, I give the Corps permission to conduct a record check. Completion of this application does not guarantee an interview or position with AmeriCorps/Serve Louisiana.

Signature

Date

National Service Criminal History Consent Form

I, _____ agree to undergo the National Service Criminal History Check, which may include one or both of the following: Checks of state criminal history registries for locations where I've lived as well as where I will serve or work and/or an FBI fingerprint check.

I also understand that acceptance into Serve Louisiana is subject to check results and that a candidate can be disqualified for any one of the following reasons:

1. Murder conviction
2. Required to be registered on a sex offender registry
3. False statement in response to inquiry about criminal history
4. Refusal to undergo the National Service Criminal History Check

I understand that I may review and challenge the factual accuracy of the results before action is taken to exclude me from the program.

I understand that I will not assume the cost of performing any part of the three-part background check.

Name	
Signature	
Date	