AmeriCorps VISTA Program serving at Gerard Place

Community Support Services VISTA

Term of Service: March 2022-February 2023 Full-Time (40 hours/week)

The Service Collaborative of WNY's AmeriCorps VISTA program mobilizes individuals to function in various organizations, government agencies, and educational institutions with the goals of expanding educational opportunities, ensuring economic opportunities for all, and creating healthy futures for residents of lowincome communities in Buffalo and Western NY. The VISTA member will work within local organizations to assist in the agencies efforts to meet these goals. During the term of service, the VISTA member will receive benefits such as a biweekly living allowance, support from VISTA and The Service Collaborative, monthly professional and personal development trainings, and a network of support from fellow VISTA members locally and across the country.

The Community Support Services VISTA member serving at Gerard Place will work to support the various services the agency offers in the Bailey-Delevan neighborhood, focusing on empowering individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency. The VISTA member will assist with programs including the food insecurity initiatives, educational and job training programs, and will have a particular focus on building the capacity of the new Healthy Moms and Babies program. The VISTA member will work on activities such as helping to secure funding resources, engaging with donors, recruiting and supporting volunteers, as well as assisting with marketing, research, community education, and data collection and interpretation.

For more information about the program, or to apply, visit:

<u>https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?fromSearch=true&id=108892</u> or contact Jillian Kubiak, Director of Serve NY VISTA at The Service Collaborative of WNY at (716)418-8500 x156 or <u>jkubiak@tscwny.org</u>.

Benefits include (*based on eligibility and location):

- \$15,001 Living Stipend (paid biweekly)
- \$6,345 Education Award (upon completion of term of service)
- \$750 Relocation Allowance
- Health Insurance
- Childcare Assistance
- Loan Forbearance
- Non-Competitive Eligibility Status upon completion of service
- Professional and Personal Development

