ICAP Position Descriptions

Technical Assistance

Purpose

Member Benefits

- Better communicate service activities
- Better communicate service requirements (ex. performance measures)

Program Benefits

- Better documentation the member service activities
- Better tracking of program interventions

Documents

General Requirements: http://iowacollegeamericorps.weebly.com/position- descriptions.html

Position Description Template & Instructions:

POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

Full Time Positions

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Part Time Positions



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Templates(part time only)



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General Guidelines

Eligible Service Sites

- Non-profit organizations (including faith-based organizations) that are not solely focused on lobbying
- State and local governments
- Elementary and secondary schools
- Indian tribes
- Institutions of higher education
- Labor organizations

Service Site Limitations

- **Full time members** can only serve at their host site. They may partner with other local public organizations.
- Part time members (minimum time) may serve at up to three public organizations (see eligible service sites).

Position Description Guidelines

A list of "Shoulds" and "Should-nots"

Guidance on Appropriate Service Activities

Non duplication or displacement: Member activities must be above-and-beyond what the individual or regular volunteers would "normally" do

Capacity Building Activities: CNCS considers capacity building activities to be indirect services that provide a sustained level of more or better direct services after the national service participant's term of service has ended

Connection to Program Outcomes: Activities must be connected to the ICAP's design, goals, and performance measures

Administrative activities are not allowed: Members must not serve in a primarily administrative role. However, members should be expected to maintain his/her own files, but not those of other staff.

Guidance on Appropriate Service Activities

Direct Service is generally unallowable: Direct service might be allowable if the activities; (1) train the member on their capacity building activities, (2) are required in an emergency, and (3) are organization-wide events (such as days of service events)

AmeriCorps and Academic requirements: The position should be defined by AmeriCorps service expectations and not those established for another school or employment purpose

Federal Work Study: Part-time members can receive Federal Work Study for their service. Full-time members can also receive Federal Work Study for their service. However, ICAP is required to reduce the member's living allowance by the amount of the work-study award.

On-campus service sites: On-campus service sites may include campus departments, specific programs, or other student service clubs.

- 1. Community Engagement
- 2. Organizational Development
- 3. Program Development
- 4. Volunteer Management

Community Engagement: community asset mapping; level of community participation; use of community needs assessments; and leveraging resources/collaborative relationships

Example Short-term Outcomes

- 1. Increased activities to expand awareness of the organization
- 2. Increased diversity of partnership arrangements

Example activities (activities listed on position descriptions must be specific to the member's project)

- 1. Creation of an external website
- 2. Procedures to regularly update external website
- 3. Regular staff/volunteer contribution to the website's blog
- 4. Development of a social media policy
- 5. Creation of social media accounts

Organization Development: nonprofit incorporation; existence or adoption of systems related to human resources, finances, information technology; existence or adoption of specific policies and procedures; and fiscal controls

Example Short-term Outcomes

- 1. Regular assessments of organizational strengths and needs
- 2. Regular assessments of external opportunities and risks

Example activities (activities listed on position descriptions must be specific to the member's project)

- 1. Development of an organization database
- 2. Regular maintenance of an organization database
- 3. Researching organizational management best-practices
- 4. Annual reviews of state/federal regulations
- 5. Maintain awareness of state/federal legislation

Program Development: expansion or enhancement of program or service delivery; program monitoring; and evaluating program outcomes

Example Short-term Outcomes

- 1. Increase the number of clients served
- 2. Track types and amounts of program services provided
- 3. Obtain client feedback
- Track client outcome data

Example activities (activities listed on position descriptions must be specific to the member's project)

- 1. Organized staff or volunteer training workshops
- 2. Development of program training modules
- 3. Development of curriculum for new or existing program(s)/event(s)
- 4. Creation of an operations manual for new or existing program(s)/event(s)
- 5. Development or implementation of a new program(s)/event(s)

Volunteer Management: expansion or enhancement of existing volunteer practices; volunteer recruitment and placement; and coordinating service opportunities

Example Short-Term Outcomes

- 1. Increased visibility in the community
- 2. Increased visibility on local college/university campuses
- 3. Volunteer retention after the service project has ended
- 4. Improved client services
- 5. Increased agency program capacity
- 6. Increased campus-community relationships

Example Activities (activities listed on position descriptions must be specific to the member's project)

- 1. Develop a new or update an existing written volunteer generation plan
- 2. Establish formal partnerships for volunteer recruitment
- 3. Establishment of a volunteer unit within the program or organization
- 4. Creation of volunteer manual/training/curriculum
- 5. Regular supervision and communication with volunteers

Position Desc Template & Instruction

- A. Service Site Information
- B. Position Purpose
- C. Civic Action Plan goal
- D. Typical Service Conditions
- E. AmeriCorps Tasks & Activities
- F. Service Schedule

Questions?