

National Preparedness & Response Corps

Member Position Description



The Central and Western Oklahoma Region of the American Red Cross is currently accepting applications for AmeriCorps National Service. Members of the National Preparedness & Response Corps will complete projects that enhance organizational service delivery, expand community networks and resources while developing their professional skill base. Service locations: Oklahoma City, Norman, Lawton, Enid, Woodward, Shawnee, Stillwater, Ardmore, Gurthrie.

Members of the National Preparedness & Response Corps will:

- Acts as part of a team to complete NPRC goals and objectives.
- Coordinates a special project relating to the accomplishment of NPRC goals and objectives.
- Participates in member development activities of the NPRC.
- Completes NPRC Member Hour/Activity reports.
- Performs other duties as requested by site staff related to the principal duties and responsibilities of the National Preparedness & Response Corps program.
- Recruits, trains and supports retention of disaster volunteers, particularly in high risk and diverse communities.
- Targeted recruiting and engagement of both high school and young adults in high schools and colleges to include developing their participation in Red Cross Clubs. (Norman).
- Develop and conduct targeted volunteer recruitment efforts to help in meeting Disaster Readiness Goals.
- Participate in Regional Disaster Volunteer Management Team (DVMT).
- Serve as members of a Disaster Action Team and respond on national, regional and local disaster relief operations.
- Recruit, train, mentor and actively engage volunteers in Red Cross programs and services.
- Conduct extensive community outreach campaigns and serve as key representatives at community events. Provide age-appropriate and culturally aware community disaster education presentations in high-risk areas with a goal of increasing awareness and knowledge of disasters.
- Develop community contacts, network with local agencies and be a positive ambassador for the American Red Cross and the National Preparedness & Response Corps.

Requirements

- Willing to make an 11 month commitment (August 5, 2013 to July 3, 2014) and complete 1700 hours of service.
- At least 18 years of age by the start of the program.
- A U.S. Citizen, U.S. National or lawful permanent resident alien of the U.S.
- Minimum, high school diploma or GED. College degree highly desired.
- Current valid driver's license and a clean driving record.
- Previous successful experience working with diverse populations.
- At least one year of volunteer or community service experience.
- Excellent organizational skills.
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication skills.
- Excellent public speaking skills.
- Ability to be deployed on national, regional and local disaster relief operations lasting three weeks.
- Demonstrated professionalism, flexibility and initiative.
- Team-oriented.
- Bilingual Spanish a plus.

Program Benefits

- \$13,000 living stipend for 11 months of service.
- Upon successful completion of the program, eligible for an education award in the amount of \$5,550.
- Health insurance provided. Childcare available if eligible.

For more information and to apply, visit www.AmeriCorps.gov, or <https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/search.do?&criteria.programState=OK>, or contact Cody Wright at cody.wright@redcross.org.