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Find the perfect service year opportunity for you!

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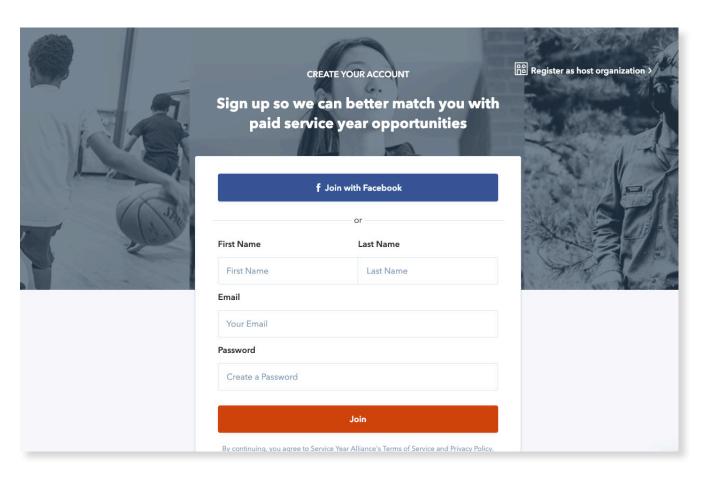
WHAT IS SERVICEYEAR.ORG?

ServiceYear.org is a state-of-the-art marketplace that matches young people interested in doing a service year with service year opportunities. You simply create a profile, search for an opportunity that's right for you, and apply!

Sign up today to discover more about how a service year can work for you. For questions contact support@serviceyear.org or chat with our team on ServiceYear.org.

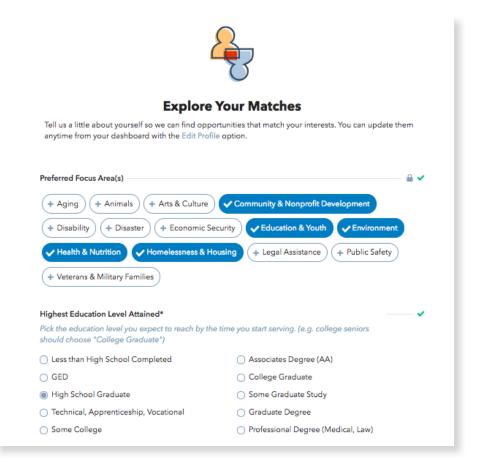
STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE FOR APPLYING FOR A SERVICE YEAR

Join at ServiceYear.org/register

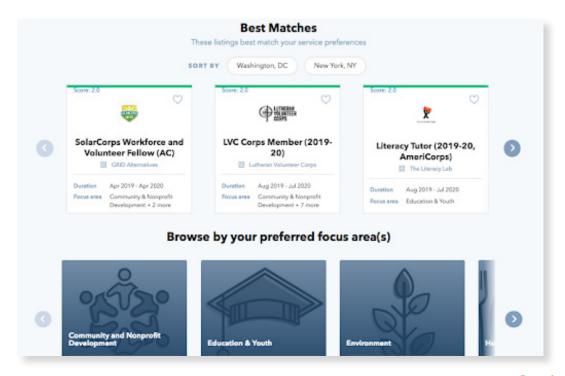


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Tell us what you're interested in and we'll match you with service year opportunities

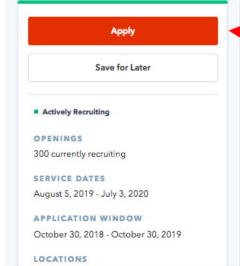


3 View the paid service year opportunities that match your preferences



4 Apply to the service year opportunities you like







\$1300 - \$1600 monthly

BENEFITS

Childcare assistance if eligible, Education award upon successful completion of service, Health coverage, Living allowance, Stipend, Student loan forbearance, Training

FAQs

What is a service year?

A service year is a paid opportunity to develop real-world skills through hands-on service. You can serve with a variety of service year programs that focus on a wide array of issue areas, including: education, the environment, disaster relief, healthcare, and many more. You've probably heard about some of the most popular service year programs – AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, Teach for America, Habitat for Humanity, YouthBuild, and City Year to name a few. There are hundreds of additional programs that host service year opportunities as welland they are looking for diverse talent to help their organization achieve their mission.

What are the benefits of doing a service year?

When you do a service year, you can transform your life, find your passion, get paid, earn money to pay for school or student loans, and make an impact in a local community.

Do I get paid?

All service year opportunities offer financial support. You'll receive a modest living allowance (usually between \$12,000 to \$25,000 for the year) to help support your cost of living during your service year. The living allowance might be lower if housing is provided, or it might be higher if the position requires a professional degree or certification. Your stipend may also vary based on your location.

Each organization's listing will show the monthly living allowance and other benefits provided, and you can follow up with organizations directly with any questions.

What is the education award?

The Segal AmeriCorps Education Award is a benefit that service year corps members who serve in an AmeriCorps position receive upon successful completion of their term of service. A majority of the opportunities featured on ServiceYear.org are through AmeriCorps.

The award (currently valued at about \$6,000 for a full service year) can be used to pay for eligible student loans, tuition to colleges and institutions of higher learning, books and more. Also worth noting that many types of student loans are eligible to be 'frozen' or what's called forbearance during your term. (more info)

Can I do a service year if I have a child?

Some organizations offer childcare assistance – typically in the form of payment to a qualified childcare center. Organizations can note whether they offer this under the "Benefits" section of their listings. If you have any questions about benefits for a specific opportunity, you can reach out directly to the organization.

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FAQs, cont.

Are there age requirements?

Most service years require you areat least 18, but unless it's specifically noted, most positions do not have a maximum age. No matter your age, a service year gives you the chance to transform your life, develop leadership and professional skills, make an impact on the lives of others, and become the active citizen and leader our nation needs.

What are the education requirements?

Most service year opportunities require a GED or high school diploma, however there are some opportunities open to those who do not yet meet that requirement. Listings will indicate if an organization has education requirements for specific opportunities. You can also search listings based on your current education level.

Do I need prior experience in a specific field?

Organizations will indicate on their listings whether they are searching for applicants with prior experience or not. In general, while it is helpful to have prior experience it is not necessarily required. For example, if you are interested in a service year opportunity that works in education, it is helpful to have experience working or volunteering with students. Many have served in different areas with or without prior experience.

Is a background check required to do a service year?

An organization will indicate on its listing if it conducts a criminal background check, as not every organization does this. If you have questions about qualifications or requirements for a specific opportunity that are not answered in the listing, you can reach out to the organization directly using its provided contact information.

How long is the commitment?

The length of a service year can vary, but it's called a service "year" for a reason – it typically lasts about a year! Generally, service years last about 9-12 months, though some opportunities fall outside of that range.