

Program Development special issues – child wellness and public infrastructure projects

Nevada Volunteers is pleased to announce that we received a program development grant to support Nevada organizations to develop a program design that would deploy AmeriCorps members to address child wellness and public infrastructure projects in Nevada. Organizations selected for this additional training and coaching would then apply for national service funding through the currently open NOFO or through a special NOFO not yet released, but expected to have a deadline no later than May 2018.

Interested organizations should take the following steps:

1. Email Nevada Volunteers (grants@nevadavolunteers.org) to notify them of your organization's interest in being selected to receive additional training and coaching to develop an AmeriCorps Program addressing child wellness or public infrastructure projects. Please place Child Wellness or Public Infrastructure Projects in the subject line and provide the name of the organization, a contact person and that individual's email and telephone number.
2. Upon receipt Nevada Volunteers will reach out to schedule a call to discuss what this process looks like and next steps.
3. Next steps will include A) Submission of an [organizational readiness assessment](#) and submission of a logic model using the logic model template found [here](#).
Organizations are requested to complete these items no later than January 9, 2018.

Frequently Asked Questions

What would my organization receive if we are selected to receive Nevada Volunteers “support” to develop a program design that would deploy AmeriCorps members to address child wellness and public infrastructure projects in Nevada?

What this means is that we have resources to help an organization identify and build a program model that will utilize national service members, or the human capital that a national service grant brings to an organization, to deploy direct services addressing child wellness and public infrastructure in Nevada. Specifically, selected organizations would be paired with national consultants to work on their AmeriCorps program design, including specific training and coaching on the AmeriCorps logic model, selection of national performance measures and key program development structure pieces that would need to be completed prior to starting up an AmeriCorps program in fall 2018 (if funded).

When is the grant application due?

Organizations who receive this program development support would be applying to a special notice of funding opportunity to be released early 2018 with a 2018 spring application deadline.

Organizations interested in this support can also apply to the currently open [NOFO](#). However, we recognize that the open NOFO timeline may not provide adequate time for organizations new to national service to develop the understanding required for a strong application. That is why Nevada Volunteers is offering program development support.

If I am not selected to receive the additional support am I still able to apply for a grant?

Yes. Organizations can still apply to the currently open NOFO, regardless of whether they are selected for additional support. The spring NOFO is not currently open, but it is our understanding that that application process will be open to all organizations wishing to address these important issues in Nevada.

If we submit an application for a national service-AmeriCorps-grant when would our program start?

This additional support and the NOFOs are to assist programs to be ready for an operational program fall 2018.

Nevada Volunteers has resources available on our website that are designed to familiarize organizations with the benefits and requirements of AmeriCorps*State funding. We encourage organizations to view the NOFO Webinars to gain a better understanding of the process your organizations will be going through to develop an AmeriCorps program. The recordings of these webinars can be found [here](#).