AmeriCorps Member – Youth Center Mentor

Position Summary Overview:

The Arizona Supreme Court/Probation Services Division seeks enthusiastic candidates to apply for the AmeriCorps Probation Support Services Program (APSS), as an AmeriCorps Member - Youth Center Mentor. Under general supervision, this AmeriCorps Youth Center Mentor position will serve as a Mentor to Youth (ages 13-18) who participate in Youth Center activities that are under the supervision of the Probation Departments in Apache and Navajo Counties. The Youth Center Mentor will serve alongside Center staff and probation officers, in providing programming and assisting with daily responsibilities and duties associated with Center operation that include and will not be limited to the following:

- Delivery of year-round Center programming including and not limited to: music, creative arts, visual arts, media development, culinary arts, community volunteer programs and other special programming;
- Assisting with the increase of self-sufficiency skills, soft skills, work-force development skills;
- Providing links to education resources, such as access to homework assistance, college prep courses and technical trainings;
- Assists with public relations and outreach to facilitate connections with surrounding community stakeholders to build relationships and allies.

Minimum Qualifications:

18 years of age, High School Diploma /GED, a US Citizen and must pass criminal background check.

Desired Qualifications:

The ability to multitask and manage a high-volume and time-critical work environment; excellent interpersonal skills; the ability to establish effective working relationships with others; the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; the ability to plan, organize and maintain work flow; the ability to work under supervision and exercise judgment; basic computer skills. Should be able to accurately maintain statistics and records; maintain confidentiality of all parties. Preferred residence in either Apache and Navajo County.

Service Locations:

If eligible, Members will have the opportunity to serve in their choice of one of the following counties in Arizona: Apache and Navajo.

This position will report to a Local Host County Superior Court Adult Probation Department and/or the Juvenile Justice Services Divisions and the AmeriCorps Site Supervisor.
**Service Term Schedule:**

AmeriCorps Members have the option to complete one of the following Service Term hour slots: Quarter-Time (450 hours), approximately 30 hours per week or a Minimum-Time (300 hours) slot approximately 20 hours per week over the course of a four (4) month Service Term. Service hours will primarily be completed during the operational hours of the Center, including evenings and weekends, depending on location assignment, program projects and need. Candidates have a choice of 3 start dates: September 1st, 2019, January 1st, 2020 or May 1st, 2020.

**Responsibilities:**

As an AmeriCorps Member, all Members must adhere to regulations, rules of conduct and must attend any training and events as required by, the Corporation for National Service (CNCS), the Arizona Supreme Court/Adult Probation Services Division- AmeriCorps Program and the Arizona Governor’s Office for Youth, Faith and Families as well as participate in any identified community service activity.

**Program Benefits:**

- AmeriCorps State & National Members receive a modest living allowance during their term of service.
- Upon successful completion of service, AmeriCorps Members receive an Educational Award that can be applied to educational costs or student loans.
- Team support and coaching
- Opportunities to participate in Professional Trainings in the field of Probation and Criminal Justice.

**Prohibited Activities:**

Members may not, while actively providing service, do any of the following: attempt to influence legislation; organize or engage in protests, petitions, boycotts, or strikes; assist, promote, or deter union organizing; impair existing contracts for services or collective bargaining agreements; engage in partisan political activities; participate in, or endorse, events or activities that are likely to include political advocacy; engage in religious instruction or proselytization; provide a direct benefit to a business organized for profit, a labor union, a partisan political organization, or other organizations specified by the CNCS; conduct a voter registration drive; provide abortion services or referrals for receipt of such services; and such other activities as CNCS may prohibit.

All interested applicants should follow the AmeriCorps application process, found here: [https://my.americorps.gov](https://my.americorps.gov)

This position is contingent on grant funds.