# AmeriCorps



# **Position Description**

Position Title Recovery Project Coordinator

Program Recovery Corps

**Reports to**Site Supervisor and Program Coach

# **Position Summary**

Recovery Project Coordinators play an important role in strengthening the supports and systems for people in recovery from substance use disorders. They serve at non-profit organizations and public agencies where they plan, coordinate, and execute projects to address urgent needs across recovery communities and the addiction continuum of care. They build the capacity of their service site to increase the reach, effectiveness, and/or efficiency of the services provided by the organization and the impact on the communities served. This position is an AmeriCorps service member position with the AmeriCorps program, Recovery Corps.

#### **Essential Functions**

**Recovery Capacity Building:** Recovery Project Coordinators implement a site-based service plan. The services provided by Recovery Project Coordinators vary by site, but will include one or more of the following categories:

#### • Community Engagement, Outreach, and Communication

- o Communicate available organizational resources to impact people and communities.
- Advance equity initiatives and develop or advance relationships with historically excluded and/or marginalized communities by:
  - Identifying gaps in service access or delivery
  - Engaging community assets and resources to improve recovery in a community
- Engage community members in recovery communications, educational outreach, conversations, and other engagement activities.
- o Build relationships and trust with community partners and stakeholders.
- o Create or update site communication plans.
- Support marketing efforts, including branding and/or social media efforts.

#### Research, Data Collection, and Analysis

- o Perform basic research and analysis.
- o Support the design or implementation of data collection tools or processes.
- o Conduct interviews, focus groups, and/or administer surveys to collect data.
- o Analyze, interpret, and summarize data to guide ongoing or future projects.
- Employ evidence-based, and systems approaches to address substance use disorder issues and support initiatives across the addiction continuum of care.

#### • Coordination of site-specific projects, programs, and process improvement

- Develop systems and processes and perform activities that enhance the host site's programming. This may include direct services such as:
  - Conducting training on harm reduction or pathways to recovery
  - Distributing opioid overdose reversal medication (e.g., naloxone)
  - Creating educational campaigns and/or resource guides
  - Educate workforce and allies on the intersection of recovery and harm reduction.
- o Coordinate cross-sector collaboration and planning.
- o Create new programs, initiatives, and/or resources.
- o Plan, manage, and support site-based events.
- Provide organizational capacity assessments.

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- o Monitor or document organizational changes related to quality improvement and support.
- o Draft a service transition document that outlines service accomplishments and plans for transitioning projects and programs after the service term.

#### • Volunteer Management & Mobilization

- o Develop, execute, or support volunteer engagement plans.
- o Mobilize and manage volunteers in site-specific opportunities.
- o Use evidence-based strategies to improve volunteer programs, including processes to refine the selection, orientation, training, utilization, recognition, and evaluation of volunteers.

#### Workforce Development

- Plan, conduct, and support workforce development programs and projects that create pathways to recovery sector jobs.
- Coordinate activities needed to enroll individuals in peer support and other recovery certification programs.
- o Assist community members in navigating various programs and opportunities in the recovery sector.

**Recovery Career Planning:** Recovery Project Coordinators will participate in ongoing training, coaching, and planning to prepare for careers in the recovery or addiction care sector. They will participate in individual career planning support to identify clear pathways via further education, continued service, or employment opportunities post-service.

#### **Communication**

- Practice inclusive and thoughtful behavior in building rapport with program participants, site stakeholders, and program staff; maintain professional boundaries.
- Communicate regularly and effectively with program staff and site personnel.
- Report data in online systems in a timely and accurate manner.
  - o Maintain confidentiality of any personally identifiable information at all times.

#### **Attendance**

- Demonstrate regular, timely attendance and adherence to hours as scheduled.
- Commit to service for the full-service term, serving the total commitment of hours within the term.
- Participate in all required Ampact sponsored training sessions, meetings, and coaching sessions, travel as necessary.
- Represent Ampact at site-sponsored activities and provide education about Recovery Corps. Recruit community volunteers to participate in site-based events.
- Actively participate in service projects and commemorating days such as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (as applicable).
- Be an ambassador of the program by submitting member stories and participating in outreach activities.

## **Minimum Qualifications**

- Must be 18 years of age or older by two weeks prior to your start date.
- Must have at least a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent by your start date.
- Must be either a citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident of the United States.
- Must pass mandatory National Service Criminal History Checks.
- Must not have served four or more prior terms of service with AmeriCorps State or National.
- Speak, read, and write English fluently.
- Positions that require driving will require a valid driver's license and ability to pass a driving record check. Some positions require access to a personal vehicle for transportation.

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- Position does not require a member to be in recovery from a substance use disorder, but those that self-identify as individuals in recovery must have one year of uninterrupted recovery by the start date.
- Experience with professional computer skills and confidence using computers. Comfort
  and experience using Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel), completing internet
  searches, navigating resources online, completing data entry, using e-mail regularly,
  including sending attachments, using databases and software, using
  videoconferencing software, and attending training online.

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Direct or indirect experience with substance use disorders and a strong desire to effect change across the addiction care continuum.
- Ability to take initiative, organize workload, and manage multiple projects with limited direction.
- Demonstrated ability to build strong, trusting relationships with diverse stakeholders, including colleagues, program participants, community members, and external partners.

# **Physical Requirements**

- Some positions are primarily based in an office setting and require sitting, standing, and operating a computer and telephone.
- Some positions may require light to moderate lifting, bending, stooping, pulling, kneeling, and carrying.

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