Volunteer Wyoming 2016

Your resource guide for volunteer opportunities in Laramie County and the surrounding areas

Corporation for National & Community Service

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Improving lives and strengthening Wyoming communities through volunteerism.

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• GET HANDS-ON with any of our projects.

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ServeWyoming promotes collaborative efforts among private, non-profit and governmental organizations that advance community service, volunteer programs and activities in each Wyoming community. We also collaborate with other Corporation for National & Community Service programs such as AmeriCorps* VISTA, Senior Corps and NCCC. ServeWyoming gives every citizen an opportunity to help solve our biggest challenges in education, the environment, public safety, human needs, healthy futures, the economy, youth, & military/veterans & their family.

In addition to coordinating funding for organizations throughout the state, our Commission has the role of developing, communicating and promoting a statewide vision and ethic of service in Wyoming. To attain this, we are working on a variety of projects which include:

AMERICORPS*STATE
Providing funding to recruit AmeriCorps members and training to manage and operate AmeriCorps programs across Wyoming. Projects may vary to meet community needs and application process begins in the Fall of each year.

DISABILITY INCLUSION & AWARENESS
Serve as a resource to promote inclusion in volunteerism.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
Providing volunteer reception Center (VRC) training and emergency preparedness strategies to AmeriCorps programs, agencies, and the public, including special needs populations.

PARTNERSHIP BUILDING
Develop investments and partnerships to sustain ServeWyoming and the programs we support.

PRO BONO VOLUNTEER NETWORK
Increase nonprofit capacity through the engagement of highly skilled volunteers.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING
Increase grantee capacity and statewide awareness of national service through professional development, training and technical assistance, member development, and outreach.

VOLUNTEER WYOMING
Serve as a resource to our communities and increase the number and effectiveness of volunteers in Wyoming.

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For more information about AmeriCorps, visit www.AmeriCorps.gov
Dear Friends of ServeWyoming,

I believe in the power of people to bring about change where it is most needed. Sometimes the change is a simple connection an AmeriCorps member makes when they connect to others through their service. Other times, a connection through service can bring about life long change, such as when an AmeriCorps Member mentors a child, or tutors a struggling student. The results can open doors for that child or student long into their adulthood.

Everyone who has served in a volunteer capacity knows the satisfaction it provides. Selfless acts help both the individual being served and the person serving. It also leads to employment opportunities, as was the case with Patrick Harrington. He previously served as an AmeriCorps member with the Wyoming Conservation Corps (WCC) in 2010 and 2011. This opportunity connected him to natural resource and environmental experiences while promoting leadership. WCC AmeriCorps members perform a variety of conservation and natural resource management work for our state, and ServeWyoming is honored to fund this AmeriCorps program going on its 10th year. Patrick’s experiences led him to become WCC’s Assistant Director. Patrick shares,

“Through National Service I learned what it meant to be a part of a community, and how together we all become much greater than our individual selves.”

Patrick’s national service road to employment is not unique. Recent studies from the Corporation for National and Community Service found that those serving make connections and learn valuable skills. Skills that employers value and help AmeriCorps members connect to employment and succeed in their careers. The majority of AmeriCorps members come from a pool of young adults who are eager for the opportunity to serve their nation and Wyoming! The AmeriCorps members serve in tough situations for a year as mentors, tutors, environmental and disaster responders, domestic violence educators, and fight for food security in our state. All the while, these members bring energy and fresh ideas to their assignments, which is wildly impressive to say the least!

AmeriCorps provides other rewards that go beyond positive service experiences. Members earn a scholarship to reduce college costs or repay student loans. This increases economic opportunity for AmeriCorps members by encouraging post-secondary education and reducing student debt. AmeriCorps increases civic responsibility and awareness while transforming their lives for the better.

ServeWyoming believes in the power AmeriCorps service can bring not just the individual members, but also the organizations they serve with and the communities they support. As our state’s Commission on National and Community Service we see first hand how transformative AmeriCorps can be. An integral component of our mission is to effectively leverage federal funds to help address critical needs across the state. It’s a unique responsibility. We are the one entity that, by Executive Order, exists for Wyoming to access AmeriCorps funds.

The power of our organization comes through how we manage those resources be it charitable, federal or state dollars and deliver outcome-focused programming. Inside this Guide, you will find the latest on our various programs: Volunteer Wyoming, AmeriCorps, Disability Inclusion and Emergency Preparedness, including data showing our commitment to improving lives and strengthen Wyoming communities through volunteerism.

As a corner stone of our voluntary advocacy efforts, the following Spring 2016 Volunteer Guide serves to encourage members of our community to get out and support a local organization, project, or cause. We strive to make finding your next volunteer opportunity, or even your next job (see p. 23) as easy as possible by connecting you to the local agencies making a difference every day in our community.

That’s the beauty of service, whether it’s through AmeriCorps or general civic participation – the ability to improve lives while transforming communities through the power of our people. We appreciate your support and interest in our work and know that you, our partners, rely on us to deliver results.

Shelly McAlpin  
Executive Director, ServeWyoming
Give Back and Get Back!

By Jessica Stanbury, Volunteer Wyoming Program Coordinator

When you ask a volunteer, why they give back to their community, you’re bound to get a variety of answers: passion for the cause, to pay it forward, to meet new people, etc. From the reason to the experience, volunteering is rarely the same from person to person. What is similar across the board is the enormous benefit of volunteering to both community and the individual. But, while most people understand how volunteering helps the community, what may not be quite as well known is how beneficial volunteering can be to the individual volunteer.

Throughout the year we are often reminded of the importance of helping others. Whether you regularly volunteer or help with an occasional fundraiser, keep in mind that doing good for the community is also good for you! From the physical, to the emotional, and even the social, volunteers reap amazing benefits simply from giving their time and energy to someone/something else. Read on to learn how when you give your time and energy to others (no matter the reason), you get just as much back in return!

Perhaps the first and most obvious benefit people get from volunteering is the satisfaction of making a difference in their community. While pride, satisfaction, and accomplishment are reason enough to serve, there are additional benefits that you stand to gain by volunteering that may surprise you. For instance, did you know that volunteering can improve your health? According to Women’s Health magazine in 2013, “people who regularly volunteer have better mental, emotional, and physical health.” Volunteering has consistently been found to lower stress levels, improve your mood, and make you feel healthier and happier. In fact, a report by the Corporation for National and Community Service, titled “The Health Benefits of Volunteering: A Review of Recent Research,” showed those who volunteer have “lower mortality rates, greater functional ability, and lower rates of depression later in life than those who do not volunteer.” Volunteering can help you feel more socially connected and help you feel like you’re doing something that matters.

However, the benefits volunteering don’t just stop with the physical and emotional. Volunteering is also a great way to meet new people, network, and learn about and connect with your community. Volunteer opportunities often link together like-minded individuals that must work together to solve a community problem while sharing a passion for the cause. In addition, volunteering could lead you to your next job! Volunteering allows you to add relevant experience to your resume and grow your professional network; all while helping you to know the community you want to work in. Volunteering is also a great way to try out a new skill or even a career without the pressure of a long-term commitment. Additionally, volunteering in a field you’re interested in might expose you to professional organizations or internships you might not have otherwise known about. Turn to page 23 to learn more about volunteering and employment.

Volunteer Wyoming
A project of ServeWyoming
Looking to make some new friends and new connections? Volunteering is a great way for you to meet new people, find like-minded individuals, and get more connected with your community. Here are some helpful tips to get you started.

**Volunteer Tips**

**SPEND TIME RESEARCHING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!** Try to find a good match between your interests, the amount of time you are willing to volunteer and the organizations that address issues you care about.

**CHOOSE YOUR LEVEL OF INVOLVEMENT!** You can choose to be involved at a variety of levels, from short-term episodic projects to longer-term skills-based opportunities such as serving on a board of directors.

**START WITH WHAT YOU KNOW!** Are you passionate about the work of a specific organization and want to help them achieve their mission? Do you like leading, coaching or mentoring others? Have you been volunteering a long time and seek more responsibility? Answering these questions can help you determine where and how you want to volunteer.

**CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO CONTINUALLY TRY NEW THINGS!** Not only does it make life more interesting, but it allows you to add more skills to your repertoire. Ever wondered what it would be like to search for fossils and go on digs? Get in touch with your museum. Always wanted to see what it’s like to be in the limelight? Talk to your local community theater. Are you a huge soccer fan? Be a coach. The possibilities are endless!

**VOLUNTEER FROM HOME (OR WORK):** You don’t have to go to a specific place to volunteer. You can collect food, clothing or pennies and donate them to an organization. Organizing a project for your neighborhood, workplace or family is a flexible way to benefit a nonprofit of your choice.

**LOOKING TO MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS AND NEW CONNECTIONS?** Volunteering is a great way for you to meet new people, find like minded individuals, and get more connected with your community.

**VOLUNTEER AS A GROUP.** Do you want to build a greater sense of teamwork and strengthen relationships? Talk with the volunteer coordinator at an organization about volunteering with your friends and coworkers. Volunteering together is a great way to build team unity!
The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

Relay For Life Volunteer:  
There are several ways to volunteer with the Relay For Life, on the committee, as a team captain, or as a participant.  
Occurrence: Monthly  
Minimum Age: 18  
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Cancer Resource Center Volunteer:  
As a CRC volunteer you will help cancer patients by fitting wigs, getting information about their cancer, being supportive and helping make their cancer journey easier. This position is located at the Cancer Resource Center located inside the Cancer Center at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center.  
Occurrence: Weekly  
Minimum Age: 18  
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Tish Coppa  
333 S. Beech  
Casper, WY 82601  
tish.coppa@cancer.org  
(307) 235-0044  

The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

Disaster Action Team Member:  
Help people when they suffer disasters (like single family home fires). On-call position.  
Occurrence: Monthly  
Minimum Age: 18  
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Disaster Preparedness Team:  
Outreach activities including free smoke alarm installation, youth work and other vulnerable groups.  
Occurrence: Monthly  
Minimum Age: 16  
Minimum Age w/Adult: 12  
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: James Ledwith  
P.O. Box 586  
5500 Bishop Blvd.  
Cheyenne, WY 82003  
james.ledwith@redcross.org  
(307) 763-2230

Contact: Janet Lewis  
2232 Dell Range Blvd., Ste. 200  
Cheyenne, WY 82009  
jlewis@alz.org  
(307) 316-2892
The mission of Black Dog Animal Rescue is to provide homeless animals across Wyoming with guaranteed safe and secure placement, promote the use of proven life-saving programs in our communities, and advocate for animal welfare.

**Foster Home:**
Share your home with a dog or cat until adoption. Generally is a four to six week commitment.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 18
- **Minimum Age w/Adult:** 5
- **Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

**Animal Transporter:**
Drive shelter animals to rescue placement from various regional meeting locations.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 16
- **Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Contact:** Bailey Anthony
3619 Evans, Ste. B
Cheyenne, WY 82001
Volunteer@bdar.org
(307) 214-6600

CASA of Laramie County provides a court-appointed voice for abused/neglected children—protecting their fundamental right to be safe, treated with dignity and the opportunity to grow in a safe environment.

**Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA):**
Become the voice for a child(ren) who finds themselves in the court system as a result of abuse/ neglect.

- **Occurrence:** Monthly
- **Minimum Age:** 21
- **Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Contact:** Deb Horton
2329 County Rd. 220
Cheyenne, WY 82001
GHorton1@aol.com
(307) 256-4533

Black Dog Animal Rescue, Inc.

Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne
**Cheyenne Animal Shelter**

*The mission of the Cheyenne Animal Shelter is to enhance the quality of life for animals and people through compassion, respect and education.*

**Foster Care Volunteer:**
Foster pets in your home until they are ready for adoption.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 16  
*Minimum Age w/Adult:* 10  
*Good For:* Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

**Photographer/Videographer:**
Take photos of our adoptable animals with a digital camera for use in marketing their availability. (Must have your own camera)

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 16  
*Minimum Age w/Adult:* 10  
*Good For:* Adults 18+, Family

**Adoption Liaison:**
Assist the public in visiting our animals. Escort animal to visitation area for patron animal socialization.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 16  
*Good For:* Adults 18+

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**Cheyenne Botanic Gardens**

*The Cheyenne Botanic Gardens inspires, beautifies and enriches the greater High Plains community through gardening, volunteerism, education, and stewardship.*

**Conservatory and Greenhouse Horticulture:**
Assist with Horticulture inside and outside. Working with both annual and perennial plants.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 10  
*Good For:* Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults, 55+, Family

**Children's Education and Gardening:**
Assist with science and public garden based field trips. Assist with grounds and greenhouse responsibilities.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 10  
*Good For:* Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Clerical and Visitor Services:**
Assist with mailing, data entry, sales, events, and front desk tasks.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 10  
*Good For:* Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

*Contact:* Lacey Fisher  
710 S. Lions Park Dr.  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
lacey@botanic.org  
(307) 637-6458

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**Cheyenne Capital Chorale**

*The Chorale is a musical organization specifically incorporated to create opportunities for participation and enrichment through choral music. This experience enables those with talent and musical interest to develop their musical potential, while at the same time striving for excellence in musical performance.*

**Chorale Member:**
Volunteer to sing with the Cheyenne Capital Chorale and perform at concerts for the community.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 18  
*Good For:* Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

*Contact:* Sheila Green  
911 E. 18th St.  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
capitalchorale@hotmail.com  
(307) 286-5577

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**Cheyenne Family YMCA**

*To strengthen communities through mind, body & spirit. For Healthy Living, Youth Development, For Social Responsibility.*

**Maintenance Volunteer:**
Help with light maintenance of facility. Great volunteer position for retired handyman. Having a CDL/passenger license is a plus!

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 18  
*Good For:* Older Adults 55+

**Special Events Volunteer:**
Assist with special events such as birthday parties, dances, parking lot party, Halloween party, Noon Years Eve, super day & craft fairs.

*Minimum Age:* 18  
*Good For:* Adults 18+

**Filing Volunteer:**
Help with filing and organizing business offices.

*Occurrence:* Weekly  
*Minimum Age:* 18  
*Good For:* Disabled, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

*Contact:* Christine Shay  
1426 E. Lincolnway  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
cshay@cheyennemyca.org  
(307) 634-9622
Cheyenne Frontier Days Old West Museum

The Cheyenne Frontier Days Old West Museum is dedicated to educating the community about the history and culture of Cheyenne Frontier Days from the event’s earliest inspiration to its present celebration.

Front Desk Volunteer:
Meet & greet visitors from all over the world and introduce them to the history of Cheyenne Frontier Days
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Exhibits and Woodshop Volunteers:
Help research, build and maintain Museum exhibits
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Docents (Tour Guide):
Volunteer docents lead visitors of all ages on tours to expand the visitors’ Cheyenne Frontier Days experience.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+
Contact: Janet Wampler
P.O. Box 2720
4610 N. Carey Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82003
owmvc@bresnan.net
(307) 778-7290

Cheyenne - Laramie County Health Department Bio Terrorism Division

To offer Medical Countermeasures to the citizens of Laramie County, in the event of a Bio-Terrorism event.

(POD) Point of Dispensing Citizen Volunteer:
Volunteers would assist the Cheyenne – Laramie County Health Department Staff, by acting as support staff in a (POD) Point of Dispensing.
Occurrence: Annually
Minimum Age: 21
Good For: Group, Older Adults 55+
Contact: John Kelley
100 Central Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82007
jkelley@laramiecounty.com
(307) 633-4063

Leisure Services Attendant:
Volunteer at our batting cages, ice and event center, or other facilities helping with customer service, operations, etc.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Forestry Office Assistant:
Help answer phones, customer support, scheduling and additional office work a couple days a week.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Cemetery Division Assistant:
Help with light office work such as answering phones, customer relations, etc. Fieldwork also available with the Cemetery Division.

Cheyenne Regional Medical Center Foundation

The Foundation informs, develops and stewards resources to enable the Cheyenne Regional Health System to provide the best possible health care.

Foundation Volunteer:
Looking for volunteers to support CRMC Foundation events, including the annual gala.
Occurrence: Annually (Denim ‘N Diamonds Gala-June, 2017)
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+
Contact: Scott Fox
214 E. 23rd St.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
Scott.Fox@crmcwy.org
(307) 630-0859

Southeast Wyoming Foster Grandparent Program
Citizens’ Climate Lobby is committed to two purposes: To create the political will for a stable and sustainable climate and empower individuals in exercising their personal and political power.

Group Outreach Volunteer:
Opportunities include tabling, letters to the editor, and education.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 10
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Group Lobbying Volunteer:
Opportunities include, lobbying Congress members, lobbying local leaders, and getting endorsements from local business'.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 10
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Group Organizer Volunteer:
Assist with keeping track of CCL events going on in the city and county.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 16
Good For: Adults 18+

Contact: Wesley Scott Frain
2622 Maxwell Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
Frain72@Gmail.com
(307) 631-2673

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It is the mission of COMEA to provide a safe, secure and temporary shelter to men, women and children who are homeless. COMEA collaborates with community programs and resources to create opportunities for independent living.

Administrative Volunteer:
Answer phones, welcome quests and visitors, and general office work.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Kitchen Volunteer:
Helping prepare and/or serve dinner.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Minimum Age w/ Adult: 6
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Donations Volunteer:
Sort and organize donations.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Minimum Age w/ Adult: 6
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: Robin Zimmer
1504 Stinson
Cheyenne, WY 82001
assistant@comeashelter.org
(307) 632-3174

Family Promise of Cheyenne

The mission of Family Promise of Cheyenne is to provide homeless families with emergency and on-going shelter, meals, and supportive services through a unique partnership with various local faith communities.

Misc. Volunteer:
Multiple volunteer opportunities available. Call for information.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/ Adult: 5
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: Lori Kempter-Mansell
2950 Spruce Dr.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
lorikempter@hotmail.com
(307) 772-8770

Canvasser:
Responsibilities may include knocking on doors, informing people on issues, encourage get out the vote, sign petitions, identifying supporters, etc.
Occurrence: Monthly

Goodwill Industries of Wyoming

The mission of Goodwill Industries of Wyoming is to help people with disabilities and other disadvantages reach their goals and improve their quality of life through learning and the power of work.

Store Assistant:
Assist with donated items to proper areas of the sales floor as need. Also, clean and organize sales floor fixtures.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/ Adult: 14
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: Linda Stull
3301 E. Nationway
Cheyenne, WY 82001
cheyennestore@goodwillwy.org
(307) 634-7751
Grace For 2 Brothers Foundation

Grace For 2 Brothers Foundation is an educational organization dedicated to the advocacy of suicide prevention through awareness and education.

**Grant Researcher:**
The qualified candidate will be able to identify new funding sources within databases provided for the volunteer.
**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Minimum Age w/ Adult:** 16
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Grant Writer:**
Responsible for writing proposals for both unrestricted operating revenue and restricted projects and for submitting timely and accurate reports for all existing grant funded projects.
**Occurrence:** Weekly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Graphic Design:**
Prepares visual presentations by designing art and copy layouts.
**Occurrence:** Weekly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Minimum Age w/ Adult:** 16
**Good For:** Adults 18+

**Contact:** Rhianna Brand
1222 Logan Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
rhianna.brand@gracefor2brothers.com
(307) 220-1186

Habitat for Humanity Laramie County, Inc.

Seeking to put God’s love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.

**ReStore Volunteer:**
Volunteer will assist donors unloading donations, help customers load purchases, and provide customer service.
**Occurrence:** Weekly
**Minimum Age:** 17
**Good For:** Disabled, Group. Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

**Build Season Volunteer:**
Volunteer will help build a Habitat home following instruction from construction supervisor.
**Occurrence:** Annually (May-Aug.)
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Minimum Age w/Adult:** 17
**Good For:** Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

**Contact:** Kate Wright
P.O. Box 2809
1805 Ames Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82003
info@cheyennenhfh.org
kate@cheyennenhfh.org
(307) 637-8067

K9s 4 Mobility, Inc.

A non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of others through training, placement & support of assistance dog partnerships.

**Kennel Volunteer:**
Supervise dog playtime and help clean the kennels and building.
**Occurrence:** Weekly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Minimum Age w/Adult:** 12
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Cat Lover/Small Dog Walker:**
Give attention to and brush the building cat, walk and brush the building small dog.
**Occurrence:** Weekly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Minimum Age w/Adult:** 12
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Contact:** Whitney Olson
11805 Campstool Rd.
Cheyenne, WY 82007
Info@k9s4mobility.org
(307) 222-9597

Laramie County 4-H

To assist youth in developing life skills that help them live productive and satisfying lives. Some important life skills include making decisions, solving problems, relating to others, planning and organizing, communicating with others, leading self and others, and applying science and technology.

**4-H Leader:**
Guide 4-H youth in club and project work through the 4-H program.
**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Contact:** Tansey Sussex
310 W. 19th St., Ste. 100
Cheyenne, WY 82001
larcntex@uwyo.edu
(307) 633-4383

HealthWorks

HealthWorks delivers high quality, culturally sensitive comprehensive primary care, regardless of ability to pay.

**Booth Attendant:**
Greet guests and distribute information at an annual fundraiser.
**Occurrence:** Annually (Aug. 2017)
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+

**Contact:** Lori Tiegs
2508 E. Fox Farm Rd. 1-1A
Cheyenne, WY 82007
LTiegs@wyhealthworks.org
(307) 635-3618
Encourage and support lifelong learning and adventure.

**Docent/Tour Guide:**
Docents guide tours of the library, current exhibitions, and explain library programs and services.

- **Occurrence:** Monthly
- **Minimum Age:** 18
- **Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

**Book Sale Room (BSR) Volunteer:**
Volunteers operate the BSR, sort donations, shelve books, manage the cash register, and sell items.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 16
- **Good For:** Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

**Special Events Volunteer:**
Set-up events, organize activities, direct and monitor participants, serve refreshments, and other tasks as needed.

- **Occurrence:** Monthly
- **Minimum Age:** 12
- **Good For:** Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

**Contact:**
Amber McDaniel
2200 Pioneer Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
amcdaniel@lclsonline.org
(307) 773-7224

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**Foundation Community Volunteers:**
Experienced volunteer support needed for Foundation activities including administration, fundraising and special events.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 21
- **Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

**Contact:** Bruce Thomson
2200 Pioneer Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001-3610
Foundation@LCLSonline.org
(307) 773-7221

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**Laramie County District Attorney’s Office**
The mission of the Laramie County District Attorney’s Office is to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution and laws of the State of Wyoming; to serve the people of Laramie County.

**Victim Witness Volunteer:**
Provides notifications regarding cases, both written and oral and provides courtroom support to victims.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 18
- **Good For:** Adults 18+

**Contact:** Mellissa Walls
310 W. 19th St., Ste. 200
Cheyenne, WY 82002
mellissa@da.co.laramie.wy.us
(307) 633-4361

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**Laramie County Head Start**
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**Safety and Sanitation Specialists:**
Assist classroom and facilities in assisting in sanitation, health and safety.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
- **Minimum Age:** 15
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- **Good For:** Youth, Adults 18+, Family

**Special Events Volunteer:**
Self-designed activities.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
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**Translation Services:**
Support in translating materials into other languages.

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**Translation Services:**
Support in translating materials into other languages.

- **Occurrence:** Weekly
Legal Aid of Wyoming Inc.

Legal Aid of Wyoming is a statewide nonprofit organization providing high quality civil legal services to eligible people to facilitate and encourage a just legal system.

Senior Outreach Coordinator:
Work with senior centers across the state of Wyoming to provide necessary legal services to seniors, such as Power of Attorney, Wills and Advanced Health Care Directives.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 25
Good For: Older Adults 55+

Laborer: Help move old desks and file cabinets from storage shed to the dump.
Occurrence: Annually (July or Aug. 2016)
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 16
Good For: Group, Adults 18+

Contact: Ray Macchia
1813 Carey Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
rmacchia@lawyoming.org
(307) 432-0807

Meals on Wheels of Cheyenne, Inc.

Meals on Wheels is a non-profit corporation that provides nutritious meals to elderly, disabled, ill and frail persons in order to allow them to remain in their homes.

Volunteer Meal Delivery Driver:
Deliver meals using personal vehicle and fuel. Mon - Fri. daily, weekly, monthly or as available.
Occurrence: Annually
Minimum Age: 17
Minimum Age w/Adult: Any
Good For: Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Volunteer Guide:
Make-A-Wish Wyoming

We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

Wish Granter:
Wish Granters work directly with children and their families to determine the child’s wish.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Adults 55+

Contact: Tess Kersenbrock
P.O. Box 273
201 E. 2nd St., Ste. 27
Casper, WY 82602
tkersenbrock@wyoming.wish.org
(307) 234-9474

National MS Society

People affected by MS can live their best lives as we stop MS in its tracks, restore what has been lost and end MS forever

WY Bike MS Volunteer:
Volunteers serves on planning committees, calls past participants, and provide overall support at the event.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 12
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Walk Event Committee Volunteer:
Volunteers are needed to help plan walk events in Green River, Thermopolis, Laramie, Casper, and Cheyenne.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Administrative Volunteer:
We need daily office help such as, mailings, phone calls, data entry, etc.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: Amber McDaniel
2112 Evans Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
amber.mcdaniel@nmss.org
(307) 433-9591

Boys and Girls Club Cheyenne
Needs, Inc. 

Safe Harbor, a Children’s Justice Center

Safe Harbor, a children’s justice center is to provide a safe environment for children: disclose abuse, benefit from a multidisciplinary approach to child abuse and, parental exchange and visitation.

Special Projects:
Help with special projects, including yard work, painting, collecting toys and snacks for the children.

Occurrence: Annually
Minimum Age: 7
Good For: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Family

Board Member:
Meetings once a month and fundraising as needed. Backgrounds in accounting, marketing, law enforcement.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 25
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Krystal Ottersberg
2712 Thames Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
krystal@safeharborkids.org
(307) 632-1708

We provide solutions to end domestic violence today and for future generations through empowerment, advocacy and innovative programs and services.

Safehouse Volunteer:
Work with clients and/or residents and help with service projects.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Contact: Laura Weil
P.O. Box 1885
714 W. Fox Farm Rd.
Cheyenne, WY 82003
Laura@wymomingsafehouse.org
(307) 634-8655

The Salvation Army is an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Lunchtime Feed Volunteer:
Help prepare, serve, or clean up during TSA community center’s free hot lunch program.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 14
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Cheyenne Frontier Days Cowbell Ringer:
Cowboy up with this volunteer opportunity to ring cowbells for The Salvation Army during CFD!

Occurrence: Annually (July 22-30, 2016)
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 14
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Christmas Red Kettle Bell Ringer:
As our largest fund raising event, help ring at one of our red kettle locations.

Occurrence: Annually (Nov. 11 - Dec. 24, 2016)
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 14
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Contact: Julio Perez
601 E. 20th St.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
julio.perez@usw.salvationarmy.org
(307) 634-2769

Recover Wyoming

Recover Wyoming advocates for persons in recovery and mobilize resources to aid them, their families and allies to increase long-term recovery from addiction. RW provides recovery support and advocacy.

General Volunteer:
Assist the Recover Wyoming staff with projects, fundraisers, and keep the doors of the Recovery Center open.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Laura Griffith
227 W. Lincolnway
Cheyenne, WY 82001
laura.griffith@recoverywymoming.org
(307) 421-7261
ServeWyoming

Improving lives and strengthening Wyoming communities through volunteerism.

Seeking Volunteers of All Abilities:
100's of volunteer opportunities featured on our free website. Find opportunities to suit your needs. Visit www.volunteerwyoming.org or www.servewyoming.org and click on “Volunteer.”

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 14
Minimum Age w/Adult: 4
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Wanted: Disaster Response Volunteers:
Pre-register as a disaster response volunteer in your area so you’re prepared to help your community in the event of a disaster/emergency. Visit our website or call to sign up.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 15
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Pro Bono Volunteers Needed:
Highly skilled professionals needed to consult nonprofits on specific, short-term projects throughout the County/State.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Jessica Stanbury
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330 S. Center St., Ste. 317
Casper, WY 82602
jessica@servewyoming.org
(307) 234-3428

RSVP assists non-profit organizations, faith-based agencies, city, county and state organizations. RSVP invites adults age 55 and better to use their life experience and skills to answer the call of their neighbors in need.

RSVP Volunteer:
Help solve serious problems in Uinta, Sweetwater, Carbon, Albany, Laramie, Platte and Goshen counties. Whether teaching children or adults to read, delivering meals to homebound individuals or providing much needed support to agencies, RSVP Volunteers are making their communities stronger.

Occurrence: Weekly (4-40 hrs/week)
Minimum Age: 55
Good For: Older Adults 55+

Contact: Charlotte Sandoval
3304 Sheridan St.
Cheyenne, WY 82009
rsvp_csandoval@vcn.com
(307) 635-2435 x 21

Foster Grandparent Program provides opportunities for low-income older adults to keep them physically and mentally active while providing assistance to special needs youth to help them reach their full potential.

Foster Grandparent Volunteer:
Foster Grandparents serve special needs youth in schools, Head Start, developmental pre-schools, and after-school programs.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 55
Good For: Older Adults 55+

Advisory Board Member:
Advisory Board members assist with program operation in areas of fundraising, evaluation, recruitment, and recognition.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Contact: Judi Johnston
P.O. Box 1005
510 W. 29th St.
Cheyenne, WY 82003-1005
judith.johnston@peakwellnesscenter.org
(307) 634-1265

Southern Wyoming Foster Grandparent Program

Southeast Wyoming Foster Grandparent Program

Special Friends

Our mission is to create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships between positive role models and youth facing challenges in their personal, social, and academic lives.

Special Friends Mentor:
Mentor youth one-on-one, 3 hours a week for a one-year commitment.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 13
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Court Mentoring:
Mentor youth one-on-one, 2-3 hours a week for duration of court order.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Team Mentoring:
Mentoring a youth together, for 3 hours a week for one-year commitment.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 13
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Nicole Perez
1328 Talbot Crt.
Cheyenne, WY 82001
nperez@cheyennecity.org
(307) 637-6480
Empowering Wyoming working families to achieve successful home ownership.

Family Mentor and Advocate:
Work with potential and current homeowners to offer advice on home maintenance and repair, as well as other areas in which the volunteer has expertise.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Community Events and Fundraising:
Assist with planning or staffing a community event or fundraising activity.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 14
Good For: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Board Member:
Assist with major decisions regarding policies and the overall mission and direction of the program.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Contact: Tammy Howard
P.O. Box 21682
821 W. Pershing Blvd.
Cheyenne, WY 82003
info@wyfhop.org
(307) 514-5831
Wyoming State Museum Volunteers, Inc.

The mission of the organization shall be to support the Wyoming State Museum in fulfilling its state-wide role to collect, care for, exhibit, interpret its collections, and educate the public on Wyoming's History.

Museum Front Desk Assistant:
This individual will greet the public when visitors enter the Museum Lobby.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: 12
Good For: Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Collections Assistant:
This individual assists in tasks assigned by the collections staff. Work is primarily directed toward computer data entry.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, RSVP

Education Program Assistant:
This individual will assist the Curator of Education with the preparation for and delivery of education programs offered by the Wyoming State Museum.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 16
Minimum Age w/Adult: 12
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+

Contact: Pete Hutchison
2301 Central Ave.
Cheyenne, WY 82002
petehpels@gmail.com
(307) 433-0745

Wyoming State Parks, Historic Sites & Trails

Wyoming State Parks, Historic Sites & Trails protect and enhance the natural and cultural environment by providing enjoyable, educational and inspiring experiences for present and future generations.

Camp Host:
Receive free camping space with hookups in exchange for volunteer service. Two month minimum commitment is required, 24 hours/week per person.
Occurrence: Annually (May 15-Sept. 15)
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Older Adults 55+

Historic Governors’ Mansion Volunteer:
Opportunities exist for those with an interest in special events, exhibits, and collections.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Curt Gowdy State Park Visitor Center:
Orient visitors to the park and surrounding area. Sell permits and provide excellent customer service.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Ashley Rooney
2301 Central Ave., 4th Floor
Cheyenne, WY 82002
ashley.rooney@wyo.gov
(307) 777-6560

Zonta Club of Cheyenne

Zonta Club of Cheyenne Member of Zonta International
Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

Improve the legal, political, economic, health, educational and professional status of women through service and advocacy.

Member:
Member of the Zonta Club of Cheyenne
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Z Club:
Seeking high School students at Triumph High School who would like to be a member of the Z Club.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 14 (high school)
Good For: Youth

Zonta Ladies Night Out Event Help:
Assist with our annual event that raises funds to support entities that improve the status of women.
Occurrence: Annually (March 3, 2017)
Minimum Age: 18
Minimum Age w/Adult: Any
Good For: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Contact: Kathy Cathcart
P.O. Box 2135
Cheyenne, WY 82003-2135
kcathcart@thealignteam.org
(307) 772-9003

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Women volunteers working for the community.

Member:
Looking for ladies who are interested in community improvement and volunteer work. Monthly lunch meetings held the first Tuesday of each month.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Contact: Beverly G. Campbell
2700 Summit Dr.
Cheyenne, WY 82009
bcampb0831@bresnan.net
(307) 634-4483

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Recent research from the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) provides evidence of a relationship between volunteering and finding employment. As a part of CNCS, we are happy to share this report:

The economic downturn that has plagued the United States economy over the last half decade, and certainly more recently here in Wyoming, has increased the need for pathways to employment for the millions of Americans struggling to find work. Government leaders, nonprofits, and news media have long provided anecdotal evidence that volunteering can increase employment prospects by helping job seekers learn new skills, expand their networks, and take on leadership roles. Despite this, there has been little quantitative research to date that has established an association between volunteering and finding a job.

CNCS' new research, “Volunteering as a Pathway to Employment,” provides the most compelling empirical research to date establishing an association between volunteering and employment in the United States.

KEY FINDINGS

- Volunteers have a 27 percent higher likelihood of finding a job after being out of work than non-volunteers
- Volunteers without a high school diploma have a 51 percent higher likelihood of finding employment
- Volunteers living in rural areas have a 55 percent higher likelihood of finding employment

CNCS also found that volunteering is associated with an increased likelihood of finding employment for all volunteers regardless of a person’s gender, age, ethnicity, geographical area, or the job market conditions.

GET Pro Bono

Rather than cash grants, ServeWyoming facilitates grants of professional consulting services called “Service Grants.” Awardees are granted the help of one of our pro bono volunteers who work in a variety of fields and are interested in sharing their skills with a qualified nonprofit. The pro bono volunteer will work with your nonprofit for a short-term, specific project designed to build capacity within your nonprofit.

ServeWyoming partners with many organizations doing important work in a range of issue areas. Unfortunately, our own funding limitations keep us from awarding Service Grants to all organizations that apply and our ability to match you with the services you seek is highly dependent on the availability of professional volunteers. Organizations are strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible, so we may also search for volunteers to fulfill the expertise you seek.

Please visit www.servewyoming.org and click on “Get Pro Bono” to review the grant criteria before you apply. If you have questions regarding our grant criteria or the content of any of our Service Grants, please contact the ServeWyoming office, and we will be happy to answer your questions.

The next grant application cycle is TBD. Please check our website often for announcements.

GIVE Pro Bono

Are you looking for ways to utilize your skills to make a positive impact on your community? Apply your skills to the greater good. Join ServeWyoming’s Pro Bono Volunteer Network! This is a network of Wyoming professionals who are committed to driving social change in their communities by donating their time and expertise to help build the capacity of local nonprofits. This is a great opportunity to develop skills, teach others and learn more about the nonprofits in your community.

Rather than cash grants, ServeWyoming facilitates grants of professional consulting services called “Service Grants.” Once you have applied, you will be matched when a qualified nonprofit has been awarded a “Service Grant” that requires skills similar to your own. The pro bono volunteer works with the nonprofit on a short-term, specific project designed to build capacity within their organization.

We are continually looking for ways to expand the program and are always in need for more professional volunteers willing to donate their time and expertise to a community organization in need. Help us help the wonderful nonprofits that do so much in your counties by applying to “Give Pro Bono” today!

If you are interested in applying, please go to www.servewyoming.org and click on “Give Pro Bono” or call us at (307) 234-3428.

Emergency Response Volunteers Needed!

Are YOU ready to help your community?

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER A DISASTER

A major disaster could occur at any moment and quickly overwhelm the capacity of Laramie County’s local response organizations. Recovery of our communities after a disaster is dependent on adequate resources and trained volunteers.

Spontaneous unaffiliated volunteers who show up at disaster sites, though well meaning, can slow down the response process and place themselves and others at risk.

The pre-registration of potential volunteers enhances your community’s ability to mobilize appropriate emergency response volunteers as needed to assist with an emergency response. By pre-registering with ServeWyoming, Laramie County residents will be prepared to use their valuable skills, talents and experiences when and where they are needed most.

ServeWyoming wants you to: Get registered BEFORE a disaster strikes!

To get started, contact ServeWyoming at (307) 234-3428 or go to www.servewyoming.org

“As we all know from past events, it is important to plan ahead to ensure a rapid and successful response in times of disaster, which is why the American Red Cross supports ServeWyoming’s efforts to pre-register volunteers."

~ Spencer Pollock
The Search is on for a New AmeriCorps Program!

Each year, various Wyoming organizations apply for the AmeriCorps grant through ServeWyoming in order to recruit people, of all abilities, to join AmeriCorps. AmeriCorps is an opportunity for citizens to make a big difference in their own lives as well as in the lives of those in their community and across the nation. As a member of AmeriCorps, individuals apply their skills and ideals toward helping others and meeting critical community needs. As they serve, they are also developing valuable job skills and experience, as well as earning a modest education award, which will enhance their employability throughout their careers.

AmeriCorps is a program of the Corporation for National and Community Service, an independent federal agency whose mission is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.

Together, we are searching for Wyoming organizations who not only have federal grant experience and the capacity to host 20 AmeriCorps members, but those with an evidence-based program or service delivery model in these strategic areas: Healthy Futures, Economic Opportunity, Veteran and Military Service, Environmental Stewardship, Education, and Disaster Services.

The organization can host the members on their own or serve as an intermediary for organizations with similar goals.

ServeWyoming’s mission is “Improving lives and strengthening Wyoming communities through volunteerism.” As a statewide nonprofit, ServeWyoming accomplishes our mission by providing funding and connecting citizens of all ages and abilities to volunteer opportunities, through AmeriCorps and www.volunteerwyoming.org. ServeWyoming supports Wyoming’s nonprofit infrastructure.

For more information about applying to be an AmeriCorps program or to learn more about current grantees, and other ServeWyoming services, please visit www.servewyoming.org or call 307-234-3428/ Toll Free: 866-737-8304. Or for information about AmeriCorps and other national service programs, please visit www.americorps.gov.

Nuriéh Glasgow, Program and Training Officer

20 YEARS OF #GETTINGTHINGSDONE
AmeriCorps Improves Lives Though Service

In 2010 I gave up my Oregon or bust plans for a crew member position with the Wyoming Conservation Corps, and AmeriCorps program. This summer changed my life. During the following year I was accepted as a crew leader with the WCC and co-lead a crew on 6, 10-day conservation projects all over Wyoming. We lived in tents and road out crazy storms, we ate incredibly well, and I personally learned some of the skills I would lean on to move forward with my career.

Since those terms of service with AmeriCorps a lot has changed. I’ve worked for State Parks - a WCC project partner - managing WCC crews in the field, I’ve worked at Big Brothers Big Sisters managing AmeriCorps members, and then my dream job... I ended up running the WCC in January of 2014.

The work ethic I learned during my first term of service with AmeriCorps has made me capable of finding the career path I want and I still bring that work ethic to work every day. I can’t imagine my life without AmeriCorps.

~ Patrick Harrington, Wyoming Conservation Corps’ Assistant Director and AmeriCorps Alum

When people ask me why I moved to Wyoming, I often tell them moving out West, let alone moving to Wyoming, was never part of “my plan.” My life was going to be simple: graduate from college, graduate from law school, and start my career a successful attorney. Well, this “simple plan” did not go accordingly and I wouldn’t have it any other way. I first learned about the AmeriCorps Program during my time at Berea College where I worked alongside a VISTA member at our campus volunteer and service center. After returning home with a B.A. and no prospects of going to law school right away, I decided I had to do something meaningful with my life. So, I sought guidance from my college labor supervisors and they pointed me in the direction of serving my country through AmeriCorps (yup, the same program I said was not for me, but right for others). I received two opportunities to serve in Casper, Wyoming, and this single decision to move to Wyoming changed my life for the better.

It amazes me to think that investing 365 days of service in a community has translated to five years of being a civically engaged member of Casper, Wyoming; during this time,

I gained transferrable skills such as grant writing, event coordination, and networking with locals to come up with solutions to community problems.

I can say that I have finally come full-circle in fulfilling my childhood dream and announce that my year of service, in addition to the opportunities that followed, have landed me a position in the first-year law class at the University of Wyoming College of Law. As a proud ServeWyoming AmeriCorps*VISTA Alumna, I appreciate the opportunity to have been selected among a competitive pool of applicants to make a difference in Casper, the state of Wyoming, and in my own life.

~ Debra Bulluck, ServeWyoming AmeriCorps VISTA Alum

My volunteer experience started at the ServeWyoming office. I spent my time there learning about different organizations in the Casper area and their volunteer needs. Through this experience I learned about the impact of volunteering in our community. My time at ServeWyoming introduced me to the wide range of ways I could volunteer, and I was introduced to AmeriCorps service. I was given the opportunity to be an AmeriCorps volunteer where I served a year term with Greater Wyoming Big Brothers Big Sisters. During my time at GWBBBS I was fortunate enough to get on the job training, able to network with professionals in the community, and received a $2000 education award. I will use all that I have learned through my volunteering experience in my future career as a social worker.

I am happy to know that I made a difference and I’m proud to be an AmeriCorps alum. I get to be part of a great group of people with the goal of helping others and making the world a better place.

~Kayla Smiley, Greater Wyoming Big Brother Big Sisters AmeriCorps Alum
Volunteer Wyoming!
This easy-to-use web-based platform, brought to you by ServeWyoming, matches the right donors, advocates, and volunteers with the right opportunities in your neighborhood and it’s FREE to use!

Volunteers:
• Click on “LOGIN/JOIN.”
• Fill out your volunteer profile.
• Search for volunteer needs & events based on interests, zip code, or agency.
• “Become a Fan” of your favorite organizations so you’re the first to know about new opportunities in your area.
• Receive suggestions for opportunities based on the causes you're interested in.

Organizations:
• Click on “SIGNUP”
• Fill out your agency profile, including pictures and video.
• Start posting your Volunteer Needs and Events!
• Keep your information current so volunteers know when, where, and how to help support your cause!

To get started today, go to www.servewyoming.org and click “Volunteer”

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