



AmeriCorps Member Health Educator Position Description

The mission of Teen emPower, Inc. (TEI) is to provide high-quality educational programs for students that empower them with the knowledge, skills and motivation to protect their sexual health. TEI carries out this mission by presenting high-quality, medically accurate, best-practice sexuality education programs in schools that serve racially/ethnically diverse neighborhoods suffering from health and economic disparities. TEI's successful model combines sexual health education, youth development skill-building activities, positive peer role models, volunteer service-learning, leadership experiences and extensive community partnerships.

TEI is the only direct-service non-profit in the OKC metro area focused solely on teen pregnancy prevention, and one of very few anywhere in the country to use a school-based peer education model effectively. Through our 17-year existence, TEI has been instrumental in reducing the teen birth rate in Oklahoma County by 25%. However, Oklahoma is in the top five states for numbers of births to teens, so there is still much work to be done. Therefore, TEI is partnering with AmeriCorps to help expand the scale and reach of the program, with a goal of reaching 2,200 middle and high school youth through 1,550 individual class lessons in the OKC, Mid-Del and Crooked Oak schools.

TEI has two half-time AmeriCorps Health Educator positions available. Half-time AmeriCorps members must serve a minimum of 900 hours within 10-12 months, which averages to 20-25 hours per week, beginning October 1, 2021 and ending August 31st, 2022. AmeriCorps is a National Service program. Individuals serving as AmeriCorps Members receive valuable career skills, a modest living allowance of \$10,500 and an internship/practicum credit during their service term. Upon successful completion of service, members are eligible to receive an education award in the amount of \$3,172.50 that can be used to pay current or future education expenses.

Health Educator Position Description

The AmeriCorps Health Educator position is responsible for implementing* evidence-based curricula approved by the Health and Human Services Office of Population Affairs (HHS/OPA) in the specific schools identified as program delivery sites for the REACH program (Reproductive Education to Achieve Community Health). Health Educators in these positions are responsible for submitting reports and collecting and entering data required for REACH program evaluation. They participate in the training and professional development activities provided by the Health

Education Network and OK County Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Collaboration, continuous quality improvement (CQI) activities, trainings, school/community outreach, evaluations, communication/ dissemination, and workshops/conferences, as available.

***Important:** Service activities will consist of classroom training and observation until the member is adequately trained to implement. Service activities may also include the development of legacy resources that TEI would use beyond the service term.

The Oklahoma Opportunities Program is an Oklahoma AmeriCorps program administered by Red River Community Corps, Inc.

All applicants must be screened by Red River Community Corps program staff to ensure candidates meet eligibility requirements, complete pre-enrollment paperwork, and that they will be able to fulfill all service requirements including attendance at trainings, participation in National Days of Service events, and completion of required service hours.

Member Eligibility

Red River Community Corps will work with sites to ensure potential member applicants are eligible to serve. In order to serve as an AmeriCorps member, individuals must meet eligibility requirements listed below:

- A U.S. citizen or U.S. national or lawful permanent resident alien of the United States¹
- At least 17 years of age at the commencement of service
- Have a high-school diploma or equivalency certificate or agrees to obtain a high school diploma or its equivalent before using an education award.
- Complete a criminal history background check
 - Individuals listed or required to be listed on a sex offender registry and/or those who have been convicted of murder are ineligible for AmeriCorps service.
 - Red River will conduct a National Sex Offender Screening through TrueScreen and fingerprint-based FBI/Oklahoma state criminal background check through Fieldprint. These checks only result in a “Cleared/Not-Cleared” status for AmeriCorps eligibility.
 - Sites that have specific background check requirements will need to conduct separate checks to ensure candidates comply with individual site policies.
- Members may serve a maximum of four (4) AmeriCorps State terms, regardless of the length of the term.

If interested in serving as an AmeriCorps Health Educator or in a traditional 150 hour practicum/internship, contact:

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