



AmeriCorps VISTA Environmental Program Coordinator

Join a unique opportunity to combine your passion in affordable housing and the environment where individuals and families succeed! Foundation Communities (FC) is looking for a person to commit to 12 months of service as a NeighborWorks AmeriCorps VISTA. At FC, our innovative model combines affordable housing with social services—empowering our low-income residents and neighbors to achieve educational success, financial stability, and healthier lifestyles. We own and manage 25 properties, 22 in Austin and 3 in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. Our goal is to end the cycle of poverty using our unique housing-plus-services approach.

As an AmeriCorps VISTA, you will work on the Sustainability Green Team to empower staff to access, interpret, and use waste management data to identify and intervene with residents who do not have resources to learn about landfill, recycling, and compost waste. You will analyze waste management data, build staff expertise and develop a long-term plan for project success. You will be a great fit if you are excited to develop actionable insights for staff to reduce waste contamination, increase recycling and composting at properties and encourage sustainability at our communities. This position is appropriate for anyone committed to service and sustainability, including recent graduates of undergraduate and graduate programs, career-changing professionals and retirees.

Requirements:

- Experience leading or managing projects
- Strong quantitative skills (including fluency in Microsoft Excel)
- Strong communication skills (including writing, teaching, designing presentation materials)
- Experience in at least one of the following: data analysis, recycling and composting, developing trainings for adult professionals
- Some work or internship experience
- Passionate and knowledgeable about sustainability and/or affordable housing
- Have your own transportation or be comfortable alt-commuting (bike/bus) between Austin locations

The position begins August 30th, 2021. Work from home optional. While you will be fully integrated as a member of the Foundation Communities Sustainability team, this is a volunteer position funded by the NeighborWorks AmeriCorps VISTA program, not a conventional job posting. Benefits include a monthly living stipend (approx. \$1,170/month), health insurance stipend and, at the completion of service, an education award of \$5,900.

To apply, send a resume to Katelynn Essig at sustainability@foundcom.org with the subject line “AmeriCorps”. Please submit applications by June 28th 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Foundation Communities is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation & gender identity.