



Toward a Sustainable Kentucky (TASK) VISTA: Southwest Louisville Scouting VISTA

AmeriCorps Project Description: Kentucky Campus Compact (KyCC) is a statewide coalition of Kentucky colleges and universities, promoting college access, college attainment, and community impact. The KyCC Toward a Sustainable Kentucky (TASK) VISTA program place VISTA members throughout the Commonwealth to combat poverty and build capacity in community organizations, Kentucky colleges and universities, the Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR) and the Kentucky Promise Zone. TASK achieves its anti-poverty goals through service activities in the following focus areas: Economic Opportunity, Education, Healthy Futures, Veteran and Military Families.

VISTA Position Description: The Southwest Louisville Scouting VISTA member (Shively, Fairdale, Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley Station communities), will build the capacity of the Lincoln Heritage Council, Boy Scouts of America by Identifying, recruiting and training volunteers to deliver Scouting programs in the most economically disadvantaged neighborhoods of Jefferson County KY. This work will alleviate poverty by connecting young people with caring adult role models who in turn will create positive peer groups, teach young people to set and achieve goals, aspire to higher education or post-secondary careers and make positive ethical decisions that will enable a brighter future.

Qualifications/Preferred Requirements: AmeriCorps VISTA is open to all U.S. citizens, nationals, or lawful permanent resident aliens age 18 and older. Must pass Criminal Background check, and have 4 yr. college degree from accredited College/University. Must have valid Driver's License and be insurable to drive.

VISTA Terms & Benefits:

- VISTA service is a full-time (40 hours/week), one-year (12 months) commitment.
- Receive a **monthly living allowance** of \$990 per month (\$11,880/year) before taxes – paid for by the Corporation for National and Community Service.
- Upon completion, VISTAs will receive an **education award** (\$5,800) **or cash award** (\$1,500).
- Federal student loans may be forbearance or deferred during year of service.
- Eligible to receive **healthcare benefits** and allowances during service.
- Permitted 10 vacation and 10 sick days during service term.
- Relocation reimbursement (must be relocating 50 miles or more for service; \$1,500 value)
- Access to additional professional development and training opportunities!
- If eligible, may receive childcare assistance (up to \$400).

Resources: <https://www.vistacampus.gov/in-service/benefits-service>

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Apply: Go to www.kycompact.org to find instructions on how to become a TASK VISTA.