



City of Davenport Youth AmeriCorps  
Summer 2022 Position Posting



**QUAD CITIES BOTANICAL GARDENS-HORTICULTURE YOUTH AMERICORPS MEMBER**

**TERMS OF SERVICE:** June 13, 2022 to August 20, 2022 **MINIMUM HOURS OF SERVICE:** 300 hours

**LIVING ALLOWANCE:** \$2,823.00 **EDUCATION AWARD AT COMPLETION OF SERVICE:** \$1,342.86

**GENERAL SUMMARY:** The Youth AmeriCorps Member will participate in a summer service project that will provide them with a unique experience for career exploration in a broad range of career fields. These activities and experiences will connect the Youth AmeriCorps Member to the community and give them a real-world, career-oriented experience that will encourage them to complete their education and pursue their personal and professional goals.

**Site Specific Service Activities:**

- Learn about various plants and their care
- Coordinate daily with the Horticulture department to determine and carry out daily tasks including but not limited to:
  - Maintain garden displays both tropical and perennials and plant labels
  - Upkeep of buildings and grounds
  - Check, record, and maintain water feature of Children's Garden
  - Utilize Integrated Pest Management techniques
- Gathering and putting away tools needed for tasks and projects
- Operating equipment needed to complete tasks (willingness to learn how to use it)

**Qualifications and Skills**

- Knowledge of or a passion to learn about horticulture
- Experience with various equipment including but not limited to gator, pressure washer, and weed trimmer is desired
- Experience working with plants and the environment is desired

**Site Schedule:**

Service activities will take place predominately at the Quad City Botanical Center. Member must have an ability and willingness to serve flexible hours Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, as scheduled, including evenings and weekends on occasion. Members will be asked to serve at special events and activities within the grant partnership outside of the Member's regular service hours.

**Physical Requirements:**

- Be tolerant of hot, humid, and uncontrolled climates, and able to work in and out of doors
- Walk and carry materials up and down steps
- Stand and walk for extended periods of time
- Lift, carry, or cart a minimum of 50 pounds for a distance of 300 feet or more pounds
- Climb, Bend, squat, and kneel