

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) AmeriCorps VISTA Partnership Project is seeking 14 organizations in Oregon to host full-time volunteers for 1 - 3 years to work on projects that build local capacity to alleviate poverty and improve public health. Projects must focus on economically disadvantaged communities.

The VISTA member will serve from August 10, 2026 – August 9, 2027. Please consider applying and help spread the word to other potentially interested organizations!

Who can apply: Nonprofit organizations, as well as, local, state, tribal or federal agencies in Oregon can become an AmeriCorps VISTA host site. Host sites identify significant program level work that will help build local capacity to reduce poverty and improve public health. Host sites provide a financial match, direct the project, supervise and mentor the member, and provide necessary administrative support to complete the goals and objectives of the project.

Cost: There are 2 options to apply for explained below. (Cost subject to change annually).

Note: Metro area host sites are required to pay an additional \$1,200 to pay for a 1-year transit pass for the member.

- **Cost share - \$15,000 per member for 1 year.** This is the standard VISTA rate and reflects the full cost of participation. Organizations with substantial funding and resources are expected to contribute at this level to support the program's sustainability and impact.
- **Subsidized - \$4,000 per member for 1 year.** We are able to offer a limited number of subsidized VISTA positions, supported by Oregon Health Authority, to ensure accessibility for organizations and communities with significant financial constraints. These positions are intended for organizations with extremely limited resources.

Due date: Applications are reviewed and approved on a **rolling basis between now and May 11, 2026**. Please reach out to us ASAP before starting your application to align with OHA goals and federal AmeriCorps priorities.

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What AmeriCorps VISTA members do: AmeriCorps VISTA members spend one year in full-time service to address the needs of low-income communities and improve public health. All projects focus on building permanent public health infrastructure in communities to help them more effectively bring individuals and communities out of

poverty. *Projects are developed by the host site and must only focus on economically disadvantaged communities.*

Organizations interested in becoming a host site should review the [OHA VISTA Host Site webpage](#) for more in-depth information and reach out to caroline.d.tydings@oha.oregon.gov to schedule time to discuss a potential project.

Application materials:

- [OHA VISTA Host Site Application Instructions and FAQs – August 2026](#)
- [Application to Host an OHA AmeriCorps VISTA Member – August 2026](#)
- [OHA VISTA Recruitment Timeline – August 2026](#)

Host Site Information Session: Interested in hosting an AmeriCorps VISTA at your organization? Join this webinar to learn about the program, host site requirements, application process, and more.

- **When:** Fridays between April 17 - May 15 from 10:00 AM - 11:00AM Pacific Time
 - [Join here](#)

If you're not able to make an information session, please reach out directly to caroline.d.tydings@oha.oregon.gov to discuss.