



## STOUGHTON YOUTH COMMISSION AMERICORPS MASSACHUSETTS PROMISE FELLOW

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AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellows deliver the resources young people need to be successful in life by creating, managing, and leading meaningful out-of-school time programs for youth in grades 6-12. Fellow projects focus on mentoring, social and emotional learning, college and career readiness, academic enrichment, and community service-learning.

**The Massachusetts Promise Fellowship** achieves this by placing AmeriCorps Fellows with schools, non-profit organizations and state/local government agencies that focus on fulfilling the needs of our youth by providing: *a caring adult, a safe place, a healthy start, a marketable skill, and an opportunity to give back.*

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**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** The SYC is seeking to host a Massachusetts Promise Fellow (MPF) to increase academic engagement in local youth by engaging Stoughton High students for a minimum of 200 hours in the out-of-school Stoughton Leadership Institute (SLI), with experiential service learning components. The goals of the project are: 1) to support a diverse group of students in the college process and achieve their personal academic and career goals; 2) to provide opportunities for youth to develop leadership skills to enhance social and emotional growth for success post high school; and 3) to develop a cohort of 25-30 youth with strong civic skills to serve as active leaders in the community.

**CITY-** Stoughton, MA

### ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Travel at least once/month for Fellowship meetings, retreats, and training throughout the Commonwealth
- Make a full-time, 12 month commitment
- Update and Implement an 8 month, culturally competent curricula, with weekly lessons focused on leadership skills, college and career readiness, and service learning components (Stoughton Leadership Institute - SLI)
- Mentor high school students through weekly drop in hours and small group workshops at Stoughton High focused on supporting youth goals related to academic success, college and career paths and leadership development with a focus on juniors and seniors involved in the college application process
- Engage returning SLI members as formal leaders, including mentoring new members, developing lesson plans, co-facilitating workings and developing student led service projects
- Identify and recruit new SLI participants who reflect the economic and cultural diversity within Stoughton as well as retain SLI members as youth leaders
- Coordinate local experts to augment lesson plans and support community service learning opportunities
- Identify and develop youth-led service learning opportunities throughout the community, including 2 student-led initiatives

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## QUALIFICATIONS

- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- Interest in and commitment to national and community service
- Experience working with youth
- Strong critical thinking and problem solving skills
- Ability to prioritize tasks and maintain progress on short and long-term goals
- 17 years of age or older
- College Degree Required
- Driver's license and reliable transportation needed
- Flexible schedule
- Must be a US Citizen, US National or Permanent Resident Alien
- Must be willing to undergo a National Service Criminal History Check, including screenings through the National Sex Offender Public Website, a name-based search of the statewide criminal history registry both in Massachusetts and your state of residence upon application to our program (if not Massachusetts), and a fingerprint based FBI check. \* Eligibility to participate in MPF is contingent on the results of this screening

## FELLOW SCHEDULES

M-F, 9AM-5PM (FLEXIBLE WITH SOME EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS)

SUPERVISOR NAME: STEPHANIE PATTON (SPATTON@STOUGHTON-MA.GOV)

## BENEFITS

For a one year full-time commitment and 1700 hours of AmeriCorps service Fellows receive:

A taxable living allowance of \$14,500/year ♦ Excellent training opportunities ♦ FREE courses at Northeastern University in the College of Professional Studies & discounted courses upon successfully completing the service year ♦ Loan forbearance and a \$5,815 educational award ♦ Monthly travel allowance ♦ Career coaching and support ♦ Healthcare benefits

## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Apply ASAP!** Applicants are hired on a rolling basis.

Visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/mpfgeneralapp2017> to complete a general application **and send a letter of interest, resume and contact info for two references ASAP and before May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017** to Stephanie Patton at [spatton@stoughton-ma.gov](mailto:spatton@stoughton-ma.gov)

## MORE INFO

- Interviews will take place during May and June of 2017 and reasonable accommodations will be made available for interviews upon request.
- Selection decisions will be made on or before July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. **All position offers will be provisional until 2017-2018 federal funding has been confirmed.**
- Program start date is August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- More information about Stoughton Youth Commission and the youth program can be found at [www.stoughtonyouthcommission.org](http://www.stoughtonyouthcommission.org)
- **Visit [www.masspromisefellows.org](http://www.masspromisefellows.org) for detailed program information**

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disability. We actively partner with organizations representing minority concerns and interests to build high-performing teams that mirror the communities we serve.

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