



Massachusetts Promise Fellowship

## AIDS ACTION COMMITTEE OF MA BE SAFE INITIATIVE FELLOW

Massachusetts Promise Fellows deliver the resources that young people need to be successful in life by **mobilizing** and **organizing** community activity, **creating** and **leading** powerful initiatives, and **training** and **inspiring** citizen volunteers.

The **Massachusetts Promise Fellowship** achieves this by placing Fellows with 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.*

### SERVICE DESCRIPTION

**AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, Inc.** is a not-for-profit, community-based public health organization whose mission is to stop the HIV/AIDS epidemic by optimizing the health of those who are already infected and by preventing new infections. The Massachusetts Promise Fellow serving with AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, Inc. will work on the youth action/leadership components of the BE SAFE initiative a unique, cross issue collaboration that will address the inter-related health issues of: sexual and mental health; substance use; sexual violence and healthy relationships. The Fellow will focus primarily on heading up the youth leadership and action component (leadership group & mentoring across agencies), training delivery, and website technology and development. Partners in the effort include: AAC; Boston Area Rape Crisis Center; The City School; Community Advocacy Program/CCHERS; The Dimock Center and Planned Parenthood League of MA.

### SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

- Plan, support, and direct the activities of the Youth Leadership Board, a group of youth from youth-serving organizations around Boston
- Implement a youth development component into every aspect of BE SAFE, and ensure that youth voice is integrated into all of the work of BE SAFE
- Develop and implement curriculum for training youth on BE SAFE issues with a team of co-facilitators, including youth and interns
- Expand the existing Youth Leadership Board and explore possible means to do so strategically
- Lead the development of web resources and other technological aspects of the BE SAFE initiative
- Actively participate in the planning and implementation of all work groups of BE SAFE
- Assist with curriculum development; documentation and training delivery with staff of youth programs, in areas of interest and expertise
- Participate in policy work and strategic planning of the BE SAFE initiative and help determine best next steps
- Travel at least once/month for Fellowship meetings, retreats, and training

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## QUALIFICATIONS

- BA/BS preferred
- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- The ability to work independently and as a team member
- Successful experience working with urban youth of diverse backgrounds
- Interest and experience in one or more of the BE SAFE issues
- An interest in national and community service
- The desire to work with diverse constituencies
- Flexibility and a sense of humor
- Must be a US Resident, US National or Permanent Resident Alien

## BENEFITS

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

A taxable living allowance of \$269/week ♦ Comprehensive health care benefits ♦

Excellent training opportunities ♦ FREE courses at Northeastern University in the College of Professional Studies ♦

Loan forbearance and a \$4,725 educational award

## CONTACT INFORMATION

**Apply ASAP!** Applicants are hired on a rolling basis. Send a letter of interest, resume and contact info for three references **ASAP and before May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009** preferably electronically to:

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## MORE INFO

- Interviews will take place in April and May of 2009
- Hiring decisions will be made on or before June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009
- Program start date is August 2009
- **Visit [www.masspromisefellows.org](http://www.masspromisefellows.org) for detailed program information**

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The Massachusetts Promise Fellowship is committed to providing equal opportunities. We serve and partner with diverse organizations, and are dedicated to non-discrimination. It is our policy to ensure that all individuals with whom we are in contact are treated without regard to age, color, disability, gender, marital status, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or expression, or veteran status. We require that all our partners make reasonable accommodations for any and all individuals with a permanent or temporary 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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