Town of Stoughton - Prevention Department
AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellow

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 college and career exploration and academic enrichment.

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.

Service Description The Town of Stoughton is seeking a Massachusetts Promise Fellow to increase academic engagement of local youth by working with high school students through the out-of-school program: Stoughton Leadership Institute. The goals of the project are: (1) to support a diverse group of high school to achieve their personal academic and career goals, including college preparation; (2) to provide opportunities for high school students to develop leadership skills to enhance social and emotional growth for success post high school; (3) to develop a cohort of 15-20 high school students with strong civic skills to serve as active leaders in the community; (4) to coach high school students to develop and provide a year long community service project.

Essential Responsibilities
● Update and implement an 10-month, culturally relevant curriculum for high school students with weekly workshops focused on leadership skills, college and career readiness and service learning components (Stoughton Leadership Institute – SLI)
● Host skill based trainings to support youth in the workforce, including interview skills, resume development, goal setting and networking
● Coordinate with local and regional partners to offer panels on career paths, college visits and team building activities
● Coach SLI participants to develop and implement a year long service project
● Hold office hours for high school students focused on supporting individual youth goals, including college and career advising
● Recruit SLI participants who reflect the economic and cultural diversity within Stoughton
● Identify and develop additional service learning opportunities throughout the community
● Complete required MPF data and evaluation requirements
● Travel at least once/month for Fellowship meetings, retreats, and training throughout the Commonwealth
● Make a full-time, 10.5 month commitment

Qualifications
● Strong critical thinking and problem solving skills
● Ability to prioritize tasks and maintain progress on short and long term goals
● Ability to work independently and take initiative
● Excellent organizational and communication skills
● Deep belief in the power and potential of young people to create social change
● Experience working with youth
● Passionate about social justice and working with diverse communities
● 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 Schedule: Flexible schedule: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm with some evenings and weekends
Site location: Town of Stoughton - Prevention Department

Supervisor Name: Stephanie Patton Supervisor Email: spatton@stoughton-ma.gov

Benefits
For an 10.5 month, full-time commitment and 1,700 hours of AmeriCorps service Fellows receive:
A taxable living allowance of up to $20,000/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 an up to $6,495 educational award ♦ Travel reimbursement 15+ miles for Fellow monthly meetings ♦ Career coaching and support ♦ Healthcare benefits

Contact Information
Apply ASAP! Applicants are hired on a rolling basis.
Visit here to complete a general application and upload your letter of interest, resume and contact info for three references ASAP and before July 15, 2022.

More Info
● Interviews will take place during April-June 2022 and reasonable accommodations will be made available for interviews upon request.
● Selection decisions will be made on or before July 28th, 2022 to guarantee an on time program start. All position offers will be provisional until 2022-2023 federal funding has been confirmed.
● Program start date is August 15th, 2022
● More information about the Town of Stoughton Prevention Department and the youth program can be found at www.stoughtonoasis.org.
● Visit www.masspromisefellows.org for detailed program information

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 equally 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 interviews and service 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.