

## ENERGY CORPS AMERICORPS MEMBER POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Name and location of host site:** Sustainability Educator, Crown of the Continent Research Learning Center (CCRLC), Glacier National Park, West Glacier, MT.

Title: Energy Corps Member

Reports to: Tara Carolin, Executive Director

Term of service: October 2, 2017-August 31, 2018

**Anticipated service schedule:** 1700 hours over course of service term. Roughly 40 Hours per week. Occasional evening/weekend hours may be necessary.

**Position Summary:** Glacier National Park is to become an integral part of community-based efforts to create a sustainable culture in the Flathead Valley, involving park visitors and our surrounding neighborhood. With guidance from the Environmental Management System (EMS) Team, the Energy Corps member will work with Glacier's Green Team to raise the profile of what we are doing well, learn from examples of what our neighbors and partners are doing well, and create synergy by working together through Climate Smart Glacier Country to reduce our community's carbon output. The Energy Corps member will provide education and training to park staff, partners, and visitors, so these audiences will understand the value of implementing green and sustainable practices in all possible operations. We will highlight our accomplishments to inspire visitors to initiate similar collaborative efforts in their home communities.

## **Specific Position Responsibilities:**

- Partner Engagement
  - o Collaborate with park staff, partners, concessioners, and local businesses and the City of Whitefish to identify collaborative opportunities to promote sustainability in our community
  - Work with park staff to identify specific ways that Glacier National Park will contribute to this
    community partnership. This will include methods to reduce the carbon footprint of park operations
    and visitor activities as well as education and outreach to park and partner staff, visitors, and students
    participating in park education programs.
- Environmental Management System Assessment
  - Review Glacier's Environmental Management System (EMS), and identify targets and tasks for the upcoming year
  - o Consult with park interpretive staff about including green messaging in interpretive programs
  - Assist the park in following through with recommendations in the park's recently completed dark skies assessment
- Education and Outreach
  - Develop presentations and electronic newsletters for park staff, visitors and youth groups highlighting successful green initiatives implemented in the Glacier community over the past decade and ideas for future improvements and opportunities.
  - Provide presentations to staff and education groups about climate change and how promoting sustainable operations will benefit parks now and in the future. Presentations may be delivered to park visitors through regularly scheduled ranger-led activities and special events, such as brown bag



lectures. Content will be developed to work into both existing and new education curriculum provided to school children through the park education program

- Provide presentations to visiting adult and youth educational groups on regional climate change impacts and how small actions by individuals empowers park visitors to collectively make an impact on protecting our environment
- Develop a variety of communication tools, such as bulletins, and web products on sustainability, climate change, and related recent research result

## **Minimum Requirements:**

- Must be over 18 with a high school diploma or GED; a Bachelor's Degree related to environmental science or energy conservation with ideally at least one year of post-graduate education is strongly desired
- Strong research skills
- Strong public speaking skills
- Ability to self-regulate and stay on task
- Possesses enthusiasm and initiative to energize the CCRLC staff and develop collaboration efforts to create synergy among community members
- Experience in promoting energy conservation, providing outreach education to adult audiences, and developing training and outreach tools desired
- Experience gathering information and facilitating communication among multiple stakeholders would be helpful
- Ability to relate to people from diverse backgrounds
- Must have a valid driver's license and personal insured vehicle, mileage reimbursement will be provided for any work-related travel
- Member will **NOT** have recurring access to vulnerable populations

**Benefits:** This Energy Corps position will receive the following benefits:

- Opportunity to make a difference in a community
- Green job training and professional development
- Living allowance of \$12,630 over term of service
- An AmeriCorps Education Award (\$5,815) upon successful completion of service
- Health benefits and child care assistance if qualified

APPLICATION PROCESS: Applications will be accepted through August 18, 2017 or until a suitable candidate can be identified. Early applications are encouraged and applications will be considered as they are received. All persons interested in being considered for the position must submit an Energy Corps application form. The application form may be downloaded at <a href="https://www.energycorps.org/pdf">https://www.energycorps.org/pdf</a> positions/energycorps app 0614.pdf or requested from Emily Caponi, Energy Corps Program Director. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The completed application form can be emailed to <a href="mailto:emilyc@ncat.org">emilyc@ncat.org</a> or sent to:

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