



Partners for After School Success AmeriCorps!

AmeriCorps—The big picture!

Everyday across the nation, more than 80,000 AmeriCorps members make a powerful impact on the most critical issues facing the country.

- Since 1994, over a million people have served as AmeriCorps members
- There are 3 branches of AmeriCorps overseen by *the Corporation for National & Community Service*:
 - *AmeriCorps Vista* whose members fight poverty
 - *AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps* whose members mobilize in times of national disaster and address on-going community concerns
 - *AmeriCorps State & National* whose members serve with national and local nonprofit and community groups
 - *Dane County PASS AmeriCorps is a State & National program*

Across the country, AmeriCorps Gets Things Done!

- *Mobilizing volunteers*—Members mobilize 3 million community volunteers each year
- *Helping young people reach their potential*—AmeriCorps members tutor, mentor and provide programming to 2.5 million youth a year.
- *Strengthening the community*—AmeriCorps members serve in over 14,000 nonprofit, faith-based and community organizations.

AmeriCorps invests in those who serve by:

- *Expanding educational opportunities*—In exchange for a year of service, AmeriCorps members earn an Education Award.
- *Creating future leaders*—AmeriCorps members gain job skills, advance their education and remain civically engaged to their community.
- *Developing citizenship*—AmeriCorps alumni are more likely to volunteer, vote, sit on boards, voice their opinion and actively engage in their community.

Members serving with Partners for After School Success AmeriCorps contribute to these national goals by Getting Things Done in Dane County! Additional information on AmeriCorps is available at www.americorps.gov

Partners for After School Success AmeriCorps--Serving Dane County!

Description: Partners for After School Success (PASS) is a collaborative program run by the Dane County Department of Human Services serving Madison, Sun Prairie, Verona and Middleton. Partner host-site agencies include:

- Bayview International Center for Education and the Arts
- Boys & Girls Club College Club Program at Verona Area High School
- Bridge Lake Point Waunaona Neighborhood Center
- Common Wealth Development
- Elver Park Neighborhood Center/Wisconsin Youth Company
- Girl Scouts of Badgerland Wisconsin
- Goodman Community Center
- Kennedy Heights Neighborhood Center
- Lussier Community Education Center
- Madison School Community Recreation—MMSD middle schools & LaFollette HS
- Meadowood Community Center
- McFarland Youth Center
- Middleton Youth Center
- Oregon Youth Center
- Urban League of Madison—Patrick Marsh Middle School, Sun Prairie
- Vera Court Neighborhood Center

Every year, upwards of 52 PASS members “Get Things Done” to enhance the academic achievement, school engagement, and the social-emotional skill development of middle and high school youth through mentoring relationships and by providing:

- Literacy Tutoring—Members deliver a 1:1 literacy tutoring to improve student reading skills as measured pre to post reading assessment. Members provide literacy tutoring to over 160 students a year.
- Extended Learning Programs—Over 800 students a year participate in PASS Extended Learning Programming during after school hours with a focus on building social-emotional skills and promoting school engagement—all while having fun! PASS ELP activities include Girls, Inc. and Life as a Boy groups; cooking clubs focusing on fitness and healthy eating; homework and academic support clubs; sport and recreational activities; community service clubs; employment skill training; leadership development; and activities that foster creative expression through art, poetry and performance.
- Volunteer Service—Members engage youth in community service and volunteer opportunities. Every year, PASS members engage over 500 youth in 5000 hours of service activities!

Since its inception in 2006, PASS AmeriCorps has been Getting Things Done!

Tutoring

From 2006 thru 2008, PASS tutored 442 students 85% of whom maintained or increased their GPA. In 2011-2012, PASS transitioned to a literacy tutoring model—teaching students essential skills in reading to improve vocabulary, fluency and comprehension.

Literacy Tutor Summary			
Year	Tutees	Students making some reading gains	Students making target reading gains
2011-12	162	82%	62%
2012-13	193	91%	69%
2013-14	204	93%	66%
2014-15	207	92%	65%
2015-16	201	79%	56%
2016-17	162	81%	48%

Youth Volunteer Service

Since its inception, *PASS* has engaged 8113 youth in 2,808 events totaling 50,586 hours of community service! Service efforts include food drives, Earth Day activities, making greeting cards for seniors and armed forces personnel, tutoring elementary youth, organizing recycling drives, helping senior citizens, planting community gardens, neighborhood clean-up events, making toys for Humane Society animals and much more.

Adult Volunteer Support

PASS members support over 800 adult volunteers a year who provide over 12,000 hours of service tutoring, modeling employment skills and supporting after school programs. At an hourly volunteer rate of \$22 (Independent Sector), this is equivalent to \$264,000.

Extended Learning Programs

PASS serves over 800 youth a year through host site *Extended Learning Programs* offering intentional, supervised programs to build social-emotional skills that translate to the community and classroom.

- In 2011-2012, 86% of students participating in *PASS* after school programs attended school at or above the No Child Left Behind attendance rate of 90%.
- Between 2012-2016, 1492 students reported increased engagement in school pre to post survey. In 2016-17, 332 students reported gains in important goal setting skills with an aggregate pre-to-post gain of 4.12 points.
- A comparative analysis completed by the Wisconsin Center for Education Research on the impact of *PASS* ELP from 2012 – 2016 reported that 6-8th grade students who participate in ELP are absent 2.41 – 3.92 fewer days than a similar cohort (p = 0.1 - 0.05). In 2016-17, 7th – 8th grade students attended 5.96 and 4.59 more days of school respectively (p = 0.01).

AmeriCorps--Creating Future Leaders!

- PASS provides challenging opportunities for professional development by offering over 100 hours of training and support time, dedicated host site supervision, and member led local and national service projects.
- Member learn work skills and build their resumes—many alumni are now working in the community.
- In addition to daily youth work responsibilities, PASS members support Dane County by:
 - Serving the community during national service days such as the 9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance, Earth Day and MLK Youth Service Day.
 - Participating in local volunteer efforts to teach youth soccer, clear invasive species and lake shore, facilitate resume workshops at a homeless shelters and harvest produce at community gardens.
 - PASS members are available for short-term disaster relief deployment in the event of a natural disaster in Wisconsin.

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