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Superior AmeriCorps program seeks 27 new members

30 new recruits already at work in schools, childcare centers, community agencies

HOUGHTON – The newly expanded Superior AmeriCorps member is seeking 27 members to work in schools, childcare centers and community agencies in the western Upper Peninsula.

“So far the expansion of the program has gone wonderfully,” said Michelle LaCourt, program director. “In phase one of the expansion, we’ve recruited, trained and placed 30 members in a variety of service sites. Now we’re looking to fill the final 27 positions.”

The AmeriCorps program received news earlier this year that its proposal to expand had been accepted. Previously, the program placed 15 members in Baraga, Houghton and Keweenaw counties. With the expansion, the program now has service opportunities in Gogebic, Ontonagon, Dickinson and Iron counties as well.

The mission of Superior AmeriCorps is youth education. Members provide tutoring, mentoring, homework help, after-school activities and more at local public schools and assistance with early learning activities at childcare centers. Members also assist with volunteer recruitment and several communitywide service projects.

In return for a year of service, members receive \$11,000 annual pay, health and childcare benefits, student loan forbearance and professional training. After successfully completing a year of service, members also qualify for a \$4,725 educational award.

To learn more or to obtain an application packet, interested individuals should contact LaCourt at 482-3663 or toll-free at 800-236-5657. Applications also may be downloaded from the program’s Web site at www.superioramericorps.org

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