Prepared Together AmeriCorps VISTA

The City of Daly City is seeking two AmeriCorps VISTA members to serve in the City Manager’s Office beginning June 5, 2017. Prepared Together AmeriCorps VISTA members will help Daly City increase disaster preparedness among low-income communities by implementing Project Green Space, a program that champions sustainable approaches to stormwater management. VISTAs will implement this Impact Volunteering initiative to engage resident volunteers in the City’s Disadvantaged Community (DAC) and neighboring census tracts to install and maintain new green infrastructure that includes both drought-tolerant tree planting and rain gardens. These activities will improve the City’s ability to respond to extreme weather events.

VISTAs will conduct outreach to low-income residents to hear concerns on green infrastructure design and placement; complete research on the stormwater management problem that the Impact Volunteering initiative will address; conduct a landscape analysis to identify potential partners; and develop systems and volunteer networks that engage low-income communities in the Impact Volunteering initiative.

Prepared Together AmeriCorps VISTA is sponsored by Cities of Service, a national nonprofit organization that helps mayors and city leaders tap the knowledge, creativity, and service of citizens to solve public problems and create vibrant cities. Cities of Service works with cities to build city-led, citizen-powered initiatives that target specific needs, achieve long-term and measurable outcomes, improve the quality of life for residents, and build stronger cities. Started in 2009 by New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, the Cities of Service coalition is now comprised of over 225 cities in the US and UK, representing nearly 55 million people in 45 states, and more than 10 million people in the UK.

**Desired Qualifications**

- Bachelor’s degree preferred, but not required, in sustainability-related field
- Outgoing and comfortable with public speaking and community outreach activities
- Experience in municipal government; experience working in diverse communities
- Beneficial language skills for Daly City include Spanish, Tagalog and Chinese
- Experience volunteering and/or managing volunteers (or teaching/group facilitation). Able to manage and work with volunteers of varying skill levels and ages
- Strong oral and written communication skills; strong computer skills
- Strong teamwork skills, and ability to work closely and collaboratively with team members
- Experience planning and executing events and activities
- Detail-oriented and highly organized
- Able to learn new skills and take direction; sense of humor
Duration and Benefits

- One-year term beginning June 5, 2017
- Modest living allowance; relocation assistance based on mileage between home of record and placement, not to exceed $1,000
- Health benefits in accordance with the provisions of the administrative contract between the Corporation for National and Community Service and the benefits provider
- Option to receive the Eli Segal Award upon completion of one term of service, in the amount of $5,815.00. VISTA members who do not choose the education award may elect to receive a $1,500 end-of-service stipend.

To learn more and apply, visit My AmeriCorps and search for “Prepared Together.” Please direct any questions to Stephen Stolte, Sustainability Coordinator, at sstolte@dalcity.org, and Alice Kamens, Program Manager, at alice@citiesofservice.org or 646-324-8402.