



Pima Prevention Partnership's (PPP) AmeriCorps Project
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Program Year (2015-2016)

Tucson, Arizona

Federal Legislative District 2

PROGRAM FAST FACTS

Congressional District(s): 2
State Legislative District(s): 10
Service Area by County/City: Tucson
Project Federal Share: \$146,500
Project Local Match: \$148, 966
Community Volunteers Recruited: 100 as of October 2015
Volunteer Hours Served: 9, 571 hours as of August 2015
Value of Volunteer Hours: \$215, 538.92 as of August 2015

*[2013 Independent Sector Rate](#) for the Value of a Volunteer Hour in Arizona is \$22.52

Community Need

Pima Prevention Partnership (PPP) will coordinate (30) thirty PPP AmeriCorps members to recruit, train and support adult and youth volunteers to participate in youth-adult partnerships and mentoring programs in the metropolitan areas of Tucson and Phoenix, Arizona. Approximately 5,000 volunteer hours per year will be leveraged as a result of the PPP AmeriCorps program.

National Priority Area

1. Capacity Building
2. Education
3. Economic Opportunity

Program Performance Goals

Pima Prevention Partnership will have implemented three or more effective volunteer management practices.

PPP will provide classes in job training, business development, bike repair, entrepreneurship, culinary and financial literacy skills.

Program Activities

Briefly describe the main activities of your program. How do your members/ volunteers serve community?

Pima Prevention Partnership's AmeriCorps Project will utilize 30 (thirty) AmeriCorps Members to enhance the scope of work with direct service in Tucson with the following programs at PPP:

- 1) **Bizanteen Bikes**- AmeriCorps Members will be tasked with initiating a year-round youth-adult partnership to create an entrepreneurial bike building/repair business located in and serving the Tucson metropolitan area. Recruited youth will learn bicycle /job shadowing skills. Youth who participate and complete the program will be able to build a bicycle for themselves. Youth will also learn workforce development skills such as life skills, mentoring skills, employability skills, etc.
- 2) **AZ STARS Statewide Mentoring Project**- AmeriCorps Members will assist the mentoring program with recruiting adult mentors (with an emphasis on male minority mentors); disseminating information regarding the needs of COIP (Children of Incarcerated Parents) and other resources to COIP relatives, families or caretakers.
- 3) **B-Unique Peer Mentoring and PALS Program**- AmeriCorps Members will assist with program administration for program coordination, distribution of materials, event planning, and outreach and field projects for the B-Unique Program at Pima Prevention Partnership. AmeriCorps members will also help train and educate youth leaders to serve as peer to peer leaders in summer school programs for the month of June.
- 4) **Pima County Teen Court (TC)**- AmeriCorps Members will expand TC's ability to recruit youth and adult volunteers' recruitment and manage volunteer activities; make presentations to school groups to recruit youth volunteers; conduct juror training sessions; assist with Teen Court attorney training workshops; assist with conducting Teen Court workshops; and help organize volunteer appreciation activities.
- 5) **STAND Program**- AmeriCorps Members will assist with providing Tobacco use prevention for community members and youth health coalitions across Arizona.
- 6) **Teen Cuisine**- AmeriCorps Members will assist the Teen Cuisine Program to help teach culinary and workforce development skills to youth in the program. Youth are referred to the program through juvenile court. The program focuses on youth from the following zip codes: 85701, 85714 and census tracts: 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 22.01, 24, 25.01, 25.04, 36, 37.06, 38.01, 38.02, 39.01, 39.02, 41.10, 41.17, and additional census tracts: 13.01, 13.02, 14, 23, 37.01 and 37.02 Youth will also learn communication, problem solving, public speaking, team work, motivational speaking and interview skills.

Mission

“Building partnerships with young people, families and communities to improve their quality of life.”

Vision

Pima Prevention Partnership (PPP) fosters conditions for positive change by providing a range of “real world” services and programs to individuals, community groups, agencies, institutions and families. PPP works with the community rather than doing for the community-to fill in the many gaps that exist in human services today. By collaborating with various grass-root groups, non-profit agencies, and government institutions, PPP helps develop sound and sustainable solutions that address critical public health problems of the day.

History

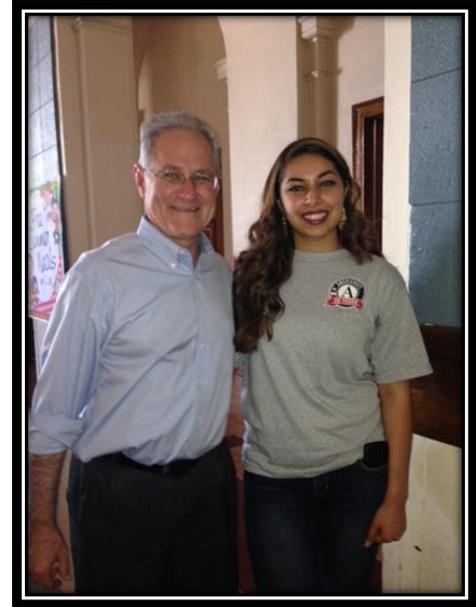
Pima Prevention Partnership (PPP) is a nationally-recognized and award-winning non-profit agency, which has been creating conditions for change among youths, families, institutions, and community groups since 1992. PPP has offices and programs in Tucson and Phoenix, Arizona, as well as a branch office in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

PPP specializes in helping underserved populations. We operate charter schools for academically underperforming students, grades 6-12, in both Tucson and Phoenix. We also provide substance use disorder treatment for teens and family strengthening workshops for whole families. Combined, our services reach over 10,000 youths and families each year. We also write grants for other non-profit and governmental institutions across the U.S and the Pacific Jurisdictions, aside from providing evaluation, training, and assistance with public health policy development.

Program Impact

At the end of the three-year AmeriCorps program, 1,290 youth will have reduced risk factors for crime, substance abuse, teen pregnancy, and/or school drop-out, and 75 youth will have increased workforce readiness. The AmeriCorps program's focus areas are education, economic opportunity, and capacity building.

- *PPP's AmeriCorps Project has received AmeriCorps funding since 2006.*
- *AmeriCorps Members have been hired with PPP as full-time employees.*
- *PPP's AmeriCorps Project has AmeriCorps members return each year to serve additional terms.*



Partnerships

The Tucson Unified School District, the Vail and Sunnyside School Districts, Pima County Juvenile Court Center, the YMCA, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), the University of Arizona, College of Public Health, Luz Social Services, Pima Community College, Hope Fest Organization, Teen Outreach Pregnancy Services, City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Programs, City of Tucson Police and Fire Departments, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson and Central Arizona, BICAS, Bookman's, Can-It Recycling, KARE (Kinship and Adoption Resource Education) Family Center in Tucson, and the Pima County Bar Association.