

SEEKING ONE MORE!!

AFHA AmeriCorps has 1 Hands-On Team position still available for the current term.

Late-start position start date will be arranged with selected candidate, preferably no later than first week of January. Position will be for one year from start date.

To apply – send cover letter by email to afha@appalachianforest.us and submit AmeriCorps portal application. Resume is also helpful. See other docs on this website for more details.

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Supervisor, Sarah Heuer, AFHA Program Associate

Team Members -- Hands-On Team (HOT) members work as a team on a variety historic preservation community buildings and outdoor conservation projects doing primarily hands-on work. Tasks may include window repair, structural stabilization, reconstructing porches or other parts of structures, interior repair, painting, plaster repair, timber wall straightening and repair, site prep and cleanup, as well as archaeological excavation, site protection, trail building or landscape projects. Hands-on team members may also take on historic preservation planning, such as preparing reports on historic structures, needs assessments, or assisting building owners with reuse plans, or a heritage or interpretive project, depending on your interest and the tasks needed.

Experience or familiarity with historic preservation theory and principles is highly desirable for the one remaining position. Familiarity with construction and hand tools is required; members will receive training in specific skills. For HOT projects, members will often be working side by side with an experienced contractor or trainer such as HistoriCorps, and can learn on the job. All HOT members will do both construction and conservation tasks.

Members should be prepared for physically difficult and sometimes tedious work, as well as unpleasant or dirty working conditions (with appropriate safety equipment). You should be able to lift and carry up to 50 pounds, be able to wear a face mask, and climb a step ladder. Although there may be some office work, this team will continue hands-on work through the winter on interior projects. The team is based in Elkins, with periodic travel including several days at a time away for some projects. Applicants must be comfortable in a team, and understand and follow all safety precautions.