



# Appalachian Forest Heritage Area

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## Join AFHA AmeriCorps

**Gain Experience – Provide Service – Earn Education Award**

**AFHA AmeriCorps Positions Available 2017-2018 Term  
Elkins, West Virginia and surrounding counties**

The Appalachian Forest Heritage Area (AFHA) is seeking AmeriCorps members to provide direct service on projects that enhance community, natural, and historic assets to benefit communities. AFHA is an 18-county region in the highlands of West Virginia and western Maryland. We work to conserve, enhance, and interpret our forest heritage assets, which include natural, historic, cultural, forest products, and forest management. We encourage heritage tourism as diversified economic development for our rural communities. For more information on AFHA see [appalachianforest.us](http://appalachianforest.us).

Four program areas are available to choose from:

- **Conservation** – Conserve natural resources including ecosystem restoration and improving public lands, habitat monitoring, and environmental awareness;
- **Community** -- Help rural communities with economic development based on their heritage resources and tourism;
- **Heritage** – Develop and conserve local cultural heritage and encourage heritage tourism; serving with museums, historic sites, and cultural organizations
- **Hands-On Team** – Small team serving together on a variety of projects focused on historic preservation of historic community buildings and short term conservation tasks.

AmeriCorps members are primarily based in Randolph or surrounding counties in West Virginia. We are looking for individuals with commitment and initiative, and with a related degree and/or experience in one of our program areas. AFHA AmeriCorps members serve full-time and receive a living allowance, plus an educational award at the completion of your one year commitment. For more information on AmeriCorps, see [www.americorps.org/for\\_individuals/overview/index.asp](http://www.americorps.org/for_individuals/overview/index.asp) Positions will start on September 5, 2017, and are full-time for 11 ½ months. For more detailed program information and recruiting updates see [www.appalachianforest.us/ameri-corps.htm](http://www.appalachianforest.us/ameri-corps.htm)

To indicate interest and find out more:

- go to [my.americorps.gov](http://my.americorps.gov) and submit your application to Appalachian Forest Heritage Area **AND**
- email a cover letter to [afha@appalachianforest.us](mailto:afha@appalachianforest.us) about why you are interested in our program.
- You can also send a resume with more information, especially if you are having difficulty applying through the AmeriCorps portal right now.

Recruitment for this program encourages diversity and does not discriminate.

**For more information:**

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