

Child Welfare Research and Training Project

AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children

Iowa State University Partnerships with the Iowa Department of Human Services
and the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Services



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| Program Goals | To assist local efforts to prevent child abuse through awareness and collaboration |
| What Members Do | <p>AmeriCorps members provide technical assistance and supports to local Community Partnerships to Protect Children (CPPC) sites located throughout Iowa that aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Build community and site capacity to implement child abuse prevention strategies ✓ Develop and enhance tools to involve service providers ✓ Create outreach tools and processes to engage parents/caregivers |
| Services Provided | <p>Members serve at an assigned host site agency in Iowa. Members provide technical support for communities to achieve locally-identified goals within the four key strategies for community partnerships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Shared decision making ✓ Neighborhood networking ✓ Individualized Course of Action ✓ Policy and Practice Changes |
| Skill Development Opportunity Examples | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Community Based Family Team meetings ✓ Organization and networking skills ✓ Volunteer recruitment |
| With Whom Members Interact during their Service Year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Local agency host site supervisors and staff ✓ Community members ✓ Community leaders ✓ Service providers ✓ Families / Caregivers ✓ AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children members ✓ ISU's AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children leadership |
| Benefit for AmeriCorps Members | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Learn ways to empower local communities ✓ Gain valuable experience ✓ Build career skills ✓ Develop an appreciation for community service ✓ Receive a stipend and educational award provided through AmeriCorps |
| Funding | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ \$384,063 from the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Services and the Iowa Department of Human Services for September 2016 – August 2017 |