**Purpose:** Members strengthen families and protect children by building capacity of local communities to implement evidence-informed and evidence-based prevention strategies.

| What Members Do | AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children (APPC) members provide technical assistance and supports to local Community Partnerships for Protecting Children (CPPC) and aligned sites located throughout Iowa that aim to:  
✓ 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 |
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| Services Provided | 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:  
✓ Shared decision making  
✓ Neighborhood networking  
✓ Individualized Course of Action  
✓ Policy and Practice Changes |
| Skill Development Opportunity Examples | Community Based Family Team meetings  
✓ Organization and networking skills  
✓ Volunteer management |
| With Whom Members Interact during their Service Year | Local agency host site supervisors and staff  
✓ Community members and leaders  
✓ Service providers  
✓ Families / caregivers  
✓ AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children members  
✓ ISU’s AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children leadership |
| Benefit for AmeriCorps Members | 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 |
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