



***The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County  
AmeriCorps Program Host Site Information  
2017-2018 Program Year***



**THE PARTNERSHIP**

The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County partner agencies regularly report needing assistance recruiting and managing volunteers and lack the resources to do so effectively. Accordingly, the MCMC AmeriCorps Program (MCMCAP) helps meet these needs by placing AmeriCorps members in agencies throughout Montgomery County to serve as Mentor Service Coordinators. The first step is to select host sites with partners that can benefit from building capacity in mentoring services. Together, MCMCAP and the partner agencies (referred to as host sites) work to recruit, train, and supervise AmeriCorps members to serve as Mentor Service Coordinators. MCMCAP helps host sites provide more services, improve the effectiveness of each host site's mentoring program(s), and increase organizational capacity to manage mentoring programs. MCMCAP provides intensive training to MCMCAP Mentor Service Coordinators who serve for 11 months. Each MCMCAP Mentor Service Coordinator works closely with host site staff to conduct a mentor needs assessment, create policies, procedures, and mentor/mentee training sessions for volunteers, initiate recruitment drives and media outreach, develop community partnerships, conduct volunteer recognition events, and train staff and volunteers in mentor management skills. MCMCAP, the MCMCAP Mentor Service Coordinator, and the host site all contribute to the partnership.

**THE SELECTION CRITERIA**

To be eligible for partnership, each organization must:

- Be a nonprofit 501(c)(3), school, or government agency.
- Have been operational (providing services) for at least one year.
- Have at least one full-time staff member (paid or volunteer).

In addition, the mentoring programs must:

- Meet a critical community need in the area of education (i.e. school-based/after-school mentoring programs); priority will be given to programs in this area.
- Utilize volunteers in direct measurable service (activities that have a hands-on, direct impact on the clients or community).
- Not be directly involved in political advocacy or religious instruction.

**For the application process and additional information, please contact:**

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