

VISTA Volunteer Support & Organizational Capacity

My organization has funding available to support hiring a VISTA Volunteer.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
The VISTA will have immediate and consistent access to a phone, computer, printer, the internet, and a desk at no expense from the VISTA.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
My organization can provide a reliable supervisor to manage and mentor the VISTA.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
The VISTA will have immediate and consistent access to the supervisor.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
The site supervisor is committed to meeting with the VISTA <u>at least once every week for 30 minutes for supervision, direction, work plan development, quarterly reporting progress and feedback.</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Expenses for travel and per diem for site specific travel and training be paid for by the sponsoring agency.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, at what rate?		
Please include any other relevant information regarding VISTA support expenses:		
If a VISTA is placed with your project, would the sponsoring organization, another organization, or individual be able to help the VISTA with free or reduced-cost housing during their year of service? If so, please describe the financial arrangement.		

The Next Steps:

If all “Yes”

1. You are ready to go and ready to set your VISTA project up for success! A thorough, thoughtful application is the first step toward laying the groundwork. Please submit this along with a completed MEO VISTA Host Site Application. Contact Jordyn Rogers at jnrogers@greenpath.com or 406 403-8154 for more information.
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If mostly “Yes”

1. Consider how all answers can be moved to “Yes”, particularly in VISTA Objectives/Goals & Volunteer Support. It is imperative that a host site be ready when the MEO VISTA arrives on site. This does not disqualify you as a host site. Please submit this assessment with your VISTA Host Site Application. Technical assistance is available through the MEO. Contact Jordyn Rogers at jnrogers@greenpath.com or 406 403-8154 for more information.
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If mostly “No”

1. Carefully consider if a MEO VISTA is the right fit for your project at this time. The MEO VISTA role is to build capacity and mobilize the community resources to move people out of poverty. Successful programs have some key pieces in place, or committed early. MEO recruits VISTA host sites on an annual basis and is continually seeking new partners. Technical assistance is available through the MEO program. Contact Jordyn Rogers at jnrogers@greenpath.com or 406 403-8154 for more information.

Organizational History with National Service Programs

<p>Has your organization hosted an AmeriCorps VISTA in the past, or currently? (This includes VISTA members sponsored by Montana Legal Services Association, Montana Campus Compact, Billings Metro VISTA Project, Rural Dynamics, PRC, and Communities in Action)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p><u>If Yes, please indicate VISTA name(s), dates of service, work plan(s), and accomplishments:</u></p>	
<p>Has your organization hosted members from other National Service Programs including AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps NCCC, Senior Companion Program, Foster Grandparent Program, or Retired & Senior Volunteer Program?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p><u>If Yes, please indicate which National Service Program the member(s) served, dates of service, their work plan(s), and accomplishments:</u></p>	