AmeriCorps Housing Support Partnership is a new national service program administered by **Redwood Community Action Agency** and is currently accepting member applications.  Member positions arescheduled to begin on **November 28th, 2016**. All positions are full-time (1700 hours) for a 12 month term of service. Applications will continue to be accepted until all positions are filled.  Members will be placed at service sites throughout Humboldt County. [***Apply now!***](http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps)

AmeriCorps Housing Support Specialists assist individuals and families through relationship-based case management to sustain their current housing, serving community members who are homeless and going into housing by linking them with resources and providing support for activities of daily living, employment and community engagement.  Members will engage in service activities to assist homeless clients/families in retaining housing.

Sites offered include:  Arcata, Southern Humboldt, Fortuna, Eureka, McKinleyville

**AmeriCorps Housing Support Specialists Member activities include:**

1.  Working with clients to assess immediate & long term housing, employment, financial & health needs.

2.  Strategize with clients to create a plan including realistic goals & timelines.

3.  Meet with clients weekly to assist with filling out forms, ensuring household needs are taken care of, transportation to appts, etc.

4.  Document progress toward meeting set goals & timelines, challenges & successes, & identifying additional resources needed.

5.  When appropriate, assist clients in preparing for employment or community involvement by assessing skills & needs, providing basic skill development modules including: appropriate work attire, scheduling, transportation, job place etiquette and communications, applying for jobs, preparing for interviews, & job search.

6.  Help link clients to employment resources including: training, school, on-the-job experiences, & career counseling.

7.  All AmeriCorps members participate in national service days

 **Minimum requirements:**
• Must be 21 years of age or older
• U.S. citizen or legal resident
• High School Graduate

• Knowledge and understanding of poverty related issues

• Work experience

• Good communication skills – written and verbal

• Work with the public

**Preferred qualifications include:**
• Previously homeless
• Good communication skills – written and verbal

• Social services work or volunteer experience

• Some college or degree

• Proficient in English and Spanish

TO APPLY: go to  HYPERLINK ["http://www.americorps.gov/interstitial\_portal.asp" \t "\_blank" my.americorps.gov](http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps) and fill out an application.  Then apply to ***AmeriCorps Housing Support Partnership***.

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