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Position Title: Community Volunteer Ambassador, Andersonville National

**Historic Site** – AmeriCorps

Conservation Legacy Program: Stewards Individual Placements Program

Site Location: Andersonville National Historic Site

760 POW Road, Andersonville, GA 31711

#### **Terms of Service:**

Start Date: 2/23/2026End Date: 2/5/2027

AmeriCorps Slot Classification: 1700 Hour Slot

#### Purpose:

Stewards Individual Placements, a program of Conservation Legacy, provides individuals with service and career opportunities to strengthen communities and preserve our natural resources. The Community Volunteer Ambassador (CVA) Program combines the strength of a national leader in conservation service with the National Park Service to train emerging leaders to assist park units in building lasting connections to communities.

Andersonville National Historic Site was established in 1970 to tell the story of U.S. Prisoners of War through all of America's conflicts. The park has a robust volunteer program with many returning volunteers year to year as well as community volunteers for special events. Over 2000 volunteers decorated graves in Andersonville National Cemetery last year for Wreaths Across America, for instance. The primary and secondary supervisors have a combined 35 years experience with the NPS volunteer program.

The CVA will be a member of the park's *America at 250* programming team, helping to plan and develop a multi-day living history event. As part of the team, the CVA will work on both large and small events related to telling the story of POWs throughout American history, with a primary focus on volunteer recruitment.

# **Description of Duties:**

- Write weekly posts for park social media
- Recruit community volunteers at off-sites
- Help vet living history groups
- Create children's activities for special events
- Help to build displays like POW shelters
- Draft temporary exhibits for the museum and help with their installation

#### Qualifications:

- Outgoing and friendly attitude
- Dependable, hard-working
- Follows instructions
- United States citizen, United States national, or a lawful permanent resident alien
- At least 17 years of age
- Has received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate; or has not dropped out of elementary or secondary school to enroll as an AmeriCorps participant, and agrees to obtain a high school diploma or its equivalent prior to using the education award
- Agrees to provide information to establish eligibility and to complete a National Service Criminal History Check.

#### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Recent university graduate or working towards a bachelor's degree or higher
- Local applicants
- Effective communication skills
- Public speaking skills
- Active seeker of public engagement

## **Our Commitment:**

Conservation Legacy is committed to the full consideration of all qualified individuals and will ensure that persons with disabilities are provided reasonable accommodations to perform essential job functions. Physical requirements may include periodic overnight travel, non-traditional work hours, ability to move across varied terrain, use program-

specific tools and a range of technology on an infrequent or frequent basis. Exerting up to 25 pounds of force occasionally to lift, carry, push, pull, or otherwise move objects. The ability to safely drive an organizational vehicle may also be required for some positions. If you need assistance and/or reasonable accommodation due to a disability during the application or recruiting process, please send a request to the hiring manager.

# Time Requirements:

- Typically, this position is expected to serve 40 hours per week, but exact service schedules may vary. A half hour lunch break will not be counted towards AmeriCorps service
- Member may be required to participate in national, state, or local service projects or events as part of their service term.

## **Orientation and Training:**

- Member will receive an orientation that includes training on AmeriCorps prohibited and unallowable activities.
- Week-long, in-person training on NPS volunteer program management and leadership skills
- Year-long continuum of learning supporting professional development
- \$750.00 in Professional Development Funds for travel and training

#### **Additional Position and Community Information:**

Schedule includes weekends and occasional evenings; position is remote and requires driver's license and car. There is no on-site housing; applicant will be responsible for finding their own housing. There will be opportunities to collaborate with other national park sites.

#### Benefits:

- Segal AmeriCorps Education Award of \$7,395.00
- Living Allowance of \$600.00 per week.

- Additional Benefit of \$150.00 per week if housing is NOT provided by NPS host site at no cost to the participant.
- Healthcare Coverage if Eligible
- Childcare Coverage if Eligible
- Loan forbearance if Eligible
- Interest Payments if Eligible
- 10 Federal Holidays, 13 days Personal Leave, 13 days Sick Leave

## **Evaluation and Reporting:**

As an AmeriCorps member, performance will be evaluated on whether the member has completed the required number of hours, the member has satisfactorily completed assignments, and if the member has met other performance criteria that were clearly communicated at the beginning of the term of service.

Reporting requirements include, but are not limited to, bi-weekly timesheets and accomplishment tracking.

## How to Apply

Please visit <u>Community Volunteer Ambassador (cvainternships.org)</u> to review "Member Positions" by region and find instructions on how to apply.

The CVA position will start on **Monday, February 23, 2026** and run for 50 weeks until Friday, February 5, 2027.

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Please ensure your cover letter addresses how your experience aligns with the CVA program, your experience working with different populations, and position details for this park/position. You may submit one application for multiple positions by selecting all sites you are interested in.

**Application Timeline:** Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Final deadline is **Friday, January 9, 2026.** 

## For Application Questions:

Please contact James Gasaway, Program Director at <a href="mailto:jqasaway@conservationlegacy.org">jqasaway@conservationlegacy.org</a>

Conservation Legacy is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, pregnancy, age, national origin, disability status, genetic information, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

We also consider qualified applicants regardless of criminal histories, consistent with legal requirements. If you need assistance and/or reasonable accommodations due to a disability during the application or recruiting process, please send a request to the hiring manager.