

Our Staff

*Works with you to utilize the AmeriCorps*VISTA program effectively*

Lesley Jones has worked in the non-profit arena for over eight years. She specializes in resource development including volunteer and intern coordination. She has been with the Time Banking movement since February 2005. (She started as a time bank member in 2000, and is familiar with the local, national and global movement.) After working with Time Banks USA and Dr. Edgar Cahn for one year, she then began working for the Maine Time Bank Training Center as Program Director for the AmeriCorps*VISTA project.

By partnering with the Corporation for National and Community Service, the Maine Time Banks Training Center is able to offer this valuable staff resource to Time Banks located in the New England and Atlantic regions of the United States.

Time Banks may participate in a one, two or three year Member plan.

Getting Started: We work with you to develop a Work Plan, and Assignment Tasks List for your Member.

After completing a Memorandum of Understanding and Fee Agreement, we begin the nation-wide recruitment process. Your VISTA receives Site Orientation Training and then reports to your site to begin building and growing your time bank project. We offer on-going

The Time Bank Movement

Maine Time Banks is pleased to play a leading role with our Time Bank Training Center. We offer comprehensive Training, including Time Bank Start-Up, Ambassador, Fundraising, Marketing and Business Liaison Development courses.

In conjunction with our training programs, we offer participation in the AmeriCorps*VISTA program. Recently awarded a block of 25 VISTAs, we work with Time Banks in the Atlantic Cluster to place this valuable resource. We offer year-long administrative support, government reporting and additional support services.



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Training Center

**offering AmeriCorps*VISTA Resources
to Time Banks in Atlantic Cluster**



The AmeriCorps Pledge

*I will get things done for America -
to make our people safer, smarter and healthier.
I will bring Americans together
to strengthen our communities.
Faced with apathy, I will take action.
Faced with conflict, I will seek common ground.
Faced with adversity, I will persevere.
I will care this commitment with me
this year and beyond.
I am an AmeriCorps member,
and I will get things done.*

Benefits to Your Agency and Community

Maine Time Banks Training Center, a program of the Portland Time Bank, is pleased to work with Time Banks in the area to recruit, place, train and support AmeriCorps*VISTA Members and Site Supervisors.

Your Agency receives:

A Full-time employee for the Cost Share Rate of Participation with administrative fees, which is between \$13,000-15,000,

Administrative support in operating and complying with this Federal Government AmeriCorps*VISTA Program, which includes bi-annual and additional reports,

Time Bank Software, training and support,

Access to Time Bank Trainings, including Time Bank Start-Up, Ambassador, Business Liaison, Marketing and Fundraising for your VISTA and other agency staff,

Programs and site plans to work towards sustainability using these resources.

Your VISTA receives:

Site Orientation Training at before the start of service,

Time Bank Start-Up Training,

Additional Personal and Professional Development opportunities geared to sustaining your time bank,

and on-going staff support for the term of service.

AmeriCorps*VISTA Program For Time Bank Sites in the Atlantic Cluster

How Can AmeriCorps Help Your Organization?

AmeriCorps has a track record of accomplishment in the areas of education, public safety, the environment and health and human needs. Through grants and the dedication of members, we strengthen communities by mobilizing community resources. Service helps members develop an ethic of service and the leadership skills needed for active, productive citizenship. Research shows that AmeriCorps members are more likely to maintain a commitment to their communities after their service has ended.

Perhaps one of the most important roles AmeriCorps can play for your organization is the generation of volunteers. For example, "Each member recruits and manages an average of twelve community volunteers." - www.americorps.org

With the Time Banking VISTA program, your member can be utilized to build and grow your time bank. AmeriCorps*VISTA members give a year or two of service to their country, and, in return earn money for college or a stipend. This mutually beneficial relationship is a win-win for everyone involved.



"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

- Margaret Mead

For Program Contract, Fees and Other Information, please contact

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Additional information available at:

www.portlandtimebanks.org

and

www.americorps.org