

Blue Star Families / AmeriCorps VISTA Assignment Description

American Legion Auxiliary Call to Service Corps AmeriCorps Project for Blue Star Families		
Location: Washington DC or San Diego, CA		
Project Title: Blue Star Neighbors Coordinator		
Reports to:		
Classification: AmeriCorps Vista	Position type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full-time	Hours: 40 hours per week
General description:		
<p>This assignment supports the site’s goal to build a stronger connection between our military and civilian communities through friendship, shared service and communication. The Vista builds the site’s capacity by growing the site’s citizen engagement program, Blue Star Neighbors. She/he contributes to the prevention and alleviation of poverty among service members, veterans, and their families by connecting military families with socioeconomic challenges to caring community members for information and support.</p> <p>This is not an employment relationship position with Blue Star Families. This is a service position available through AmeriCorps, which provides an annual living allowance and benefits. To learn more about AmeriCorp Vista programs visit</p> <p>http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ameriCorps/ameriCorps-vista</p>		
Objectives:		
Blue Star Families’ Blue Star Neighbors Program		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify volunteer opportunities offered by Blue Star Families (BSF) partner organizations for civilians that wish to support the military community. • Create social media platform for Blue Star Neighbors to educate and engage civilians with military families • Connect civilian inquiries to volunteer opportunities identified. • Develop Blue Star Neighbors promotional materials. • Disseminate Blue Star Neighbors promotional materials through BSF and external media. • Complete this objective by leaving behind for the organization’s ongoing use a suite of Blue Star Neighbors promotional materials 		
Blue Star Families’ Brand Service Project		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify national and local partners with whom BSF will work to deliver military-related service projects. • Support service project leadership committees in planning and delivering their service projects, including volunteer recruitment and event management. • Complete this objective by leaving behind for the organization’s ongoing use a set of 		

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volunteer service projects for replication

About this assignment:

This assignment is unique to any other in the organization. BSF's growth rate requires a new strategic plan for volunteer support in the civilian sector that will support the military community. The assignment will include ways to develop, plan and implement a screening process and refer interested volunteers to specific BSF departments.

How will the assignment or the activities completed by the Member be sustained after the Member's term ends?

This project will be completely integrated into the strategic plan of the organization and will be able to sustain itself as the organization's volunteers and programs division will be trained in the procedures implemented by the assignee.

About Blue Star Families

Formed in 2009, Blue Star Families is a fast growing, high-profile nonprofit organization with a mission to strengthen military families and our nation by connecting communities and fostering leadership. Blue Star Families is a virtual organization with employees and volunteers located around the world. With more than 100,000 members and 50 Chapters at military installations across the globe, Blue Star Families is the nation's largest Chapter-based nonprofit serving America's military families.

How to apply:

To apply for this service position, you must be registered with AmeriCorps. However, you may also express your interest directly to Blue Star Families at hr@bluestarfam.org