

AMERICAN CONNECTION CORPS

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The **American Connection Corps** is an AmeriCorps program focused on building local capacity and advancing economic prosperity in rural communities and legacy cities nationwide. We're building the next generation of civic leaders in every corner of the country - we've placed 300+ since 2018, and we're looking to place thousands more in the years to come.

Add critical capacity to your organization by bringing top talent back home to serve.

WHY SHOULD MY **ORGANIZATION SIGN UP?**

Access Top Talent:

 We'll support you to recruit great candidates directly from your community

Turnkey Capacity Building Solution:

· We'll handle all compliance, onboarding, payroll, and benefits, allowing the Member to focus on serving your team

Change the Narrative of Success:

Be part of a "Start Where You Live" movement to retain a new generation of locally-rooted leaders in your area

WHAT DO I NEED TO PROVIDE?

- 1) Provide a host site financial contribution
- 2) Establish a clear supervisor and scope of work for your ACC Member(s)
- 3) Select a program area:
 - A) Community & Economic Development
 - B) Health & Social Capital
 - C) Agriculture & Natural Resources

NEXT STEPS



Apply Here Today!



HOW IT WORKS



DO WE QUALIFY?

American Connection Corps host organizations must be 501c(3) nonprofits, government entities (local, tribal, or state), or faith-based organizations focused on non-religious activity. Each organization should fall into one of our three program areas, which are listed below:

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Example Host Sites Include: Broadband offices Municipal governments Planning commissions Connectivity-focused nonprofits

HEALTH & SOCIAL CAPITAL



Example Host Sites Include: Community health centers Health systems Housing organizations School districts

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES



Example Host Sites Include: Extension offices Local farm bureaus Energy or land use organizations Ag-focused nonprofits

Across all 3 program areas, ACC Members' service works toward our program's core campaign: closing the digital divide.

ACC MEMBERS IN ACTION



Oliver Borchers-Williams

Host Site: Southeast Nebraska Development District (Lincoln, NE)

Program Area: Community & Economic Development

Impact: Helped connect nearly 2,100 rural homes and farms to high-speed broadband, facilitated a \$10M public-private partnership with a local ISP, and supported nearly \$25M in grant awards for the region.



Kathy Lofton

Host Site: Innovate Memphis (Memphis, TN)

Program Area: Health & Social Capital

Impact: Led device distribution and digital skills training across Southwest Tennessee, focusing specifically on senior citizens. Her support was critical in connecting these individuals with their families, faith groups, government resources, and more.



Sidney Grantham

Host Site: University of Florida Extension, Holmes County (Bonifay, FL)

Program Area: Agriculture & Natural Resources

Impact: Collaborating with numerous Holmes County stakeholders and university faculty to advance agricultural tourism and improve agricultural practices through technology.