

## Nonprofit/Community Service Gap Year Options

- **AmeriCorps State and National**, [www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ Americorps](http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ Americorps)  
Domestic Peace Corps; types of positions and locations vary across the country; can search by interest like hunger and state; full-time volunteers receive living allowance, healthcare, and receive award at end of service currently \$5,730, which can be used for paying for college costs or repaying student loans. Serve full-time or part-time between 10 months and 1 year or longer. These programs take place across the country. Can look in CCNet for jobs; also can search and apply for jobs online by type of position and location. Must be U.S. Citizen, nationals, or lawful permanent aliens, 17 and older. Deadlines for applying vary depending on specific positions listed.
- **City Year**, [www.cityyear.org](http://www.cityyear.org) Work with students in grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade who are at risk of dropping out; receive modest stipend, health insurance benefit, & education award of \$5,600 at end of service; serve full-time for eleven months; urban communities; must have college degree or some college, h.s. diploma or GED & must be 17-24 years old and U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident; apply online through website and can look for their postings in CCNet; deadlines 11/15 (notify after 12/16); 2/15 (hear after 3/16); 4/30 (hear after 6/15).
- **Peace Corps**, [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov) **Various lengths of service:** Serve abroad for two years; do short-term 3 to 12-month assignments; serve as part of global health assignment; combine master's program with service. In an increasingly interdependent world, they tackle challenges that know no borders – such as climate change, pandemic disease, food security and gender quality and empowerment. Although times have changed since the Peace Corps' founding in 1961, the agency's mission – to promote world peace and friendship – has not. Campus recruiter is Anne Pease; email: [peacecorps@cornell.edu](mailto:peacecorps@cornell.edu); office hours: Monday, 9:30 to noon, and Wednesday, 9 to 11, or by appointment (email). Office is in Mann Library B75. She worked three years in Azerbaijan working in village school revamping their English teaching program. Now, takes six months for application process. And, students apply for specific program/country.
- **Teach for America**, [www.teachforamerica.org](http://www.teachforamerica.org)  
Teach for two years in urban and rural public schools; paid+benefits; two-year commitment; urban and rural communities; provide teacher training; must have college degree by June 2015 and must be U.S. citizen, national permanent/resident status or deferred action for childhood arrivals; at least 2.5 GPA; apply online through their website or you can find postings through CCNet; check website and CCNet for deadlines.