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ServeNebraska Announces 2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Lincoln, Nebraska – This Monday, ServeNebraska announced an exciting opportunity to apply for funding to operate AmeriCorps programming addressing critical community needs across the state. AmeriCorps planning grants are also available to facilitate program design. Community-based nonprofits, faith-based organizations and public entities are encouraged to submit an application outlining a plan to provide or expand community services utilizing AmeriCorps members in direct service. Successful grants will launch in August 2024.

Since 1994, Nebraska AmeriCorps programs have addressed unmet educational, economic, environmental, health, veteran and disaster response needs, making significant impacts on both communities served and AmeriCorps participants. The programs engage AmeriCorps members to actively strengthen Nebraska communities and, in turn, members are provided with training, professional experience, a modest living stipend and a Segal Education Award upon completion of their service.

“AmeriCorps funding is a serious boon for organizations looking to expand their services and reach more people in need,” said Cathleen Plager, executive director of ServeNebraska. “These programs not only improve the quality and quantity of services available, they also provide the opportunity to pass on valuable expertise and develop the future of the nonprofit workforce.”

ServeNebraska Commission receives funding from the federal AmeriCorps agency to invest in AmeriCorps programming at the local level. To find out more or apply for AmeriCorps funding, visit www.serve.nebraska.gov.

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About ServeNebraska

ServeNebraska is the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission and is governed by a bipartisan board appointed by the Nebraska governor. Its mission is to mobilize Nebraskans to strengthen their communities through collaboration, volunteering and national service. ServeNebraska oversees AmeriCorps programming, hosts the state’s most prestigious volunteer awards – the Governor’s Step Forward Awards, and provides training and technical assistance. To learn more, visit serve.nebraska.gov.