

K2H Civic Futures AmeriCorps – History Colorado

**AmeriCorps Level – 900 hour
Members Requested**

Organization – History Colorado

History Colorado Locations for possible placement:

Ute Indian Museum (Montrose)

Trinidad History Museum (Trinidad)

Fort Garland History Museum and Cultural Center (Fort Garland)

Position Description:

AmeriCorps members will work together with our staff teams throughout History Colorado to provide direct support by giving educational tours to visitors, assisting in museum operations, and in the planning and implementation of programs, talks, and activities. AmeriCorps members will also help in researching sustainability of these programs.

Additional duties could include:

- Provide capacity building support through promotional activities, evaluation, program planning and research
- Facilitate Hands on History programs
- Provide off and on-site tours
- Assist with educational camp and afterschool programs
- Coordinate the Bridging Borders program (a hands-on project that enables participating teens to reconnect with the stories, knowledge and practices of women who helped to build our community.)
- Facilitate school programs
- Maintain school program materials

The AmeriCorps members will be able to develop their skills in historical interpretation, instruction, and curriculum development, while gaining a fundamental understanding of museum operations. Members must be enthusiastic, hardworking, with excellent organizational and communication skills, have either formal or informal experience working with children ages 5 to 16, and have a desire to learn about education in a museum setting.

At its heart, History Colorado fosters cultural understanding, preserves and protects the physical, cultural, and emotional places that are important to our communities, and encourages appreciation of what makes Colorado, Colorado. AmeriCorps members will help with making that work possible.

Mission:

History Colorado creates a better future for Colorado by inspiring wonder in our past.

About Us:

Established in 1879, History Colorado is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization and an agency of the State of Colorado under the Department of Higher Education. We offer access to cultural and heritage resources including statewide Community Museums, programs for families and adults, stewardship of Colorado's historic treasures, and resources for students and teachers. We provide programs and services related to historic preservation and archaeology as well as access to a vast collection of archives, artifacts, and

historical photography.

At History Colorado, we strive to be a place of belonging for all Coloradans and to serve as a platform for community connection. We are committed to Colorado's diverse communities through new engagement programs such as *We Are Colorado*, and we know we are succeeding when more voices, perspectives, and experiences are part of History Colorado.