

# Feeding Laramie Valley Job Description and Application Details 2020 AmeriCorps VISTA Summer Associate

**Position**: Feeding Laramie Valley Program Assistant – Community Engagement

**Reports To**: Feeding Laramie Valley's Engagement Coordinator, Lina Dunning

**Start and end dates**: Exact dates TBA approximately June 1 to August 2 (Ability to commit to entire 10-week season with some holiday, weekend and/or evening work as required. There is occasional flexibility in the schedule with supervisor's advance approval.)

#### **Position Overview:**

Feeding Laramie Valley (FLV) is looking for a Program Assistant to help in all aspects of program organization, outreach, marketing and promotion. The Program Assistant will be expected to work independently at times in a leadership capacity with volunteers. The position involves assisting with organizational operations including making phone calls, emails, and recruiting volunteers as needed.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Primary responsibility will be organizing FLV's Food and Fun in the Park, our annual end of summer celebration in LaBonte Park that draws up to 400 people each summer. The Program Assistant will help with planning the menu, securing music, planning family activities, designing the layout of the event and recruiting volunteers.
- Design and distribute flyers, create social media posts, radio spots and newspaper coverage.
- Support FLV'S other summer programs and events, Kids Out to Lunch, Gardens for Health and Healing and the Higher Ground Fair when necessary.
- Attend weekly FLV staff meetings.
- Assist with field trips and visitors to the FLV building.
- Assist with occasional garden questions by directing people to the correct resource.
- Summer Associates are asked to provide a weekly personal narrative (and photo/art journal if desired) of their experience to the FLV Founder and supervisor.

**Financial Stipend**: Bi-weekly living allowance of about \$479.00, 35/hour work week for 10 weeks. Choice of an end-of-service education award of about \$1,311.00 that can be used for future school payments or federal student loans, or cash stipend accrued at approximately \$4.94 per day, approximately \$345.00 for 10 weeks.

**Scheduling**: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.



Each 8-hour day includes a one-hour lunch break. Required, all-staff breakfast meetings are conducted once every two weeks with a start-time of 8:00 a.m.

#### **Additional Requirements:**

All staff, interns and volunteers for Feeding Laramie Valley are subject to criminal history background checks. A copy of a current drivers license record is required in order to drive on behalf of Feeding Laramie Valley.

#### **Application:**

Essay and interview required. If selected for an interview, two references will be required.

Applicants are asked to write a detailed essay expressing how this experience will benefit social justice projects throughout the community as well as how working for Feeding Laramie Valley will enhance their personal and professional goals. In this essay, please describe why this position interests you, what relevant experience you may have, and why you would be a good fit for Feeding Laramie Valley.

## For More Information and To Apply:

Please email essay and full contact information to Lina Dunning, lina@feedinglaramievalley.org, or contact us at 307-223-4399 for alternative delivery methods. A resume may also be included but is not required. Please place in the email subject line: 2020 VISTA Summer Associate – Program Assistant.

**Application Deadline:** Applications will be accepted until filled.