

AmeriCorps Opportunities with Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity

Construction Crew Leader - 2022-23

Construction Crew Leader (Two positions available)

Tentative start - Summer 2022 or open until filled

For one year, you can get paid to build sustainable solutions in a community, gain valuable hands on experience and prepare for your future. This **full-time AmeriCorps service position** offers a great opportunity to make a real impact in the lives of others while building your own knowledge and skillset.

[AmeriCorps National](#) members serve the community in direct service and capacity building activities.

What will you do?

The construction crew leader plays an integral part in building and repairing homes. Lead groups of skills and unskilled volunteers and homeowner families in construction activities while maintaining a safe, efficient work environment, thus, developing and enhancing your volunteer management and construction skills.

*Typically serve Tuesday – Saturday on the build site.

*Assist with all aspects of hands-on construction tasks including, but not limited to, demolition, site prep, framing, insulation, drywall, flooring, roofing, finish carpentry and landscaping.

*Projects may include new construction, rehabilitation, critical home repair and weatherization projects.

*Lead small groups of volunteers and facilitate safe and positive experiences for everyone working on site.

*Maintain site safety by adhering to Habitat construction safety policies, modeling best practices and guidelines, volunteer education and site monitoring.

This position will focus on home construction and home repair aspects of Habitat affiliate operations.

Where will you serve?

Evergreen, CO is a mountain town just 30-45 minutes from Denver and offers great outdoor activities in the beautiful front range of the Rocky Mountains. Hiking, ice skating, skiing, and snowboarding are all popular mountain activities, and there are ample open space parks to explore. Red Rocks Amphitheater is a well-known

concert venue. In the summer, our farmers' markets are a popular choice for locals to shop farm-fresh, locally grown food.

Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity serves several mountain communities west of Denver, Colorado including rural Clear Creek County, Park County, and mountain towns in Jefferson County. Blue Spruce Habitat began in 1990, when concerned residents identified a need for affordable housing in the area. We have built 46 homes to date and have acquired property to construct 8 townhomes and 5 single family residences over the next three years. In 2020 we started a home preservation program for local homeowners as there are many aging homes in our area which could benefit from minor repairs.

AmeriCorps members are welcomed and greatly appreciated at our small Habitat for Humanity organization. Our staff currently consists of six full-time and three part-time employees plus two AmeriCorps members. We are fortunate to have many dedicated volunteers, too. Our local ReStore is in Evergreen and is open four days per week, helping to support all that we do.

In addition to the standard benefits for Habitat AmeriCorps members, Blue Spruce Habitat is pleased to provide \$500 per month towards rent, paid directly to the landlord. We also provide a monthly cell phone reimbursement. Learn more about our organization and mission at www.bluesprucehabitat.org.

Benefits of AmeriCorps service

- *Living allowance \$17,000 for approximately 10 ½ months of service.
- *[Segal Education Award](#) of \$6,495, upon successful completion of service.
- *Health care benefits and enrollment in Employee Assistance Plan.
- *Personal and medical leave — approximately 10 days total.
- *Possible [forbearance](#) or deferment of qualified student loans.
- *[Child care](#) benefits, if you qualify.
- *Worker's compensation insurance.

Minimum Requirements

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, national or lawful permanent resident at least 18 or older and have a high school diploma or GED.

Preferred Qualifications

- *Knowledge of, and willingness to promote, the mission and activities of Habitat for Humanity International and AmeriCorps.
- *Ability to work with a diverse group of people.
- *Strong verbal communication skills.
- *Experience working with volunteers, teaching or group facilitation.

*Experience working as a member of a team.

*Basic experience with Microsoft Office Suite, especially Word and Excel.

Location:

Evergreen, CO

State/Region:

Colorado

Job Type:

Volunteer Opportunity

Employment Type:

AmeriCorps

Travel:

[Apply now](#)