



ADVOCACY FELLOWSHIP– SPEAKERS BUREAU Apple Corps Service Fellow Announcement

About Apple Corps:

Apple Corps Leaders Program, this new fellowship initiative is designed to provide service opportunities for individuals who are passionate about leading the effort to eliminate hunger throughout our community. The inaugural class of Apple Corps Fellows will complete short-term, service projects that build capacity for the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore.

Timeline:

This is a three month service opportunity and will launch in November 2019

Position Overview:

Under the direction of the Senior Director of Advocacy, the Apple Corps Service Fellow is requested to assist in launching one Speakers Bureau cohort. Project tasks will consist of facilitating and coordinating Speakers Bureau activities such as:

- Small focus group sessions
- Toastmasters International
- Training and workshops (public speaking, advocacy, self-care, etc.)
- Events and speaking opportunities (City Council, civic leagues, etc.)
- Graduation event
- Legislator meetings

This short-term, service project will build advocacy capacity for the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore. The Speakers Bureau will provide context experts for, story-sharing, public speaking/presentations, legislator visits, and community engagement initiatives.

- All Speakers Bureau members will attend at least 8 of 10 training sessions.
- At least 3 Speakers Bureau members will participate in at least 5 interactions with elected and appointed officials.
- At least 3 Speakers Bureau members will participate in one “Advocacy Day” on Capitol Hill with the Virginia General Assembly.

Estimated Number of Hours:

60 – 80 hours per month (15-20 hours per week)

Benefits:

Apple Corps Service Fellows will receive a cash stipend as a general contractor per the following schedule: Three month project \$1,667.00



Payments will be paid in monthly stipends. A federal tax Form 1099 will be issued to each participant for the amount paid for each calendar year.

Individuals will also receive Foodbank branded apparel, such as polo shirts, sweatshirts and jackets, to wear during their service hours.

Requirements:

Individuals who are 18 years or older with a high school diploma may participate as an Apple Corps Service Fellow.

Ideal candidates for this initiative are individuals with past professional experiences who can serve as skills-based volunteers, college students seeking to gain professional skills in leadership and project management, and SNAP beneficiaries who desire on-the-job training that will create career pathways for economic mobility.

The ideal candidate will be enthusiastic about working with a diverse group of individuals. It is preferred that he or she has previously taken or is enrolled in classes related to the following fields:

- Interpersonal communication
- Sociology
- Public speaking and storytelling
- Civic engagement

Preferred candidates may also have previous experience such as (but not limited to):

- Community organizing
- Allyship
- Meeting with appointed and elected officials
- Meeting with business leaders

A related college degree is not required.

About Us:

Since 1981, the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, a member of Feeding America™ and the Federation of Virginia Food Banks, has been providing food for hungry people throughout Southeastern Virginia and on the Eastern Shore. In our mission to lead the effort to eliminate hunger in our community, the Foodbank has distributed over 290 million meals throughout our 4,745 square mile service area, which includes the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake, Suffolk, Franklin and Virginia Beach as well as the counties of Southampton, Northampton, Sussex, Isle of Wight and Accomack. During the 2017-2018 fiscal years, the Foodbank distributed nearly 15 million meals to food insecure individuals in the community through a robust network of partner agencies and program sites. Our current work to address the short-term needs



for food access and long-term needs related to root causes of food insecurity is guided by a strategic plan, which can be accessed via our website at <https://foodbankonline.org/strategic-plan/>

The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The Foodbank encourages applications from qualified persons of every race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, age, veteran status, sexual orientation, and disability.

How to apply: If this sounds like the opportunity for you to serve our community and help eliminate hunger, please send a cover letter, resume to orfrecruiting@foodbankonline.org