

Grants and Fundraising VISTA at CICOA

Help CICOA serve more seniors through grant writing and fundraising using the lens of the social determinants of health.

- Term of service: June 10, 2018 – June 9, 2020
- To apply: <https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?id=85790&fromSearch=true>
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Service Description:

In this role, you will impact and expand the number of low income seniors served in Central Indiana. CICOA's Meals & More program is a service that provides nutritional meals through neighborhood meals sites, home delivery, commodity boxes and seniors farmers markets. The ideal candidate should be energetic, appreciate diversity and enjoy networking, research, writing, planning and community outreach. They should have a clear understanding of how social determinants of health impact the senior population and how to pull that data into developing successful grants and fundraising opportunities that expand senior meals and sustain our evidence-based programming.

The position also offers:

- Camaraderie with 7 other VISTAs working under the Indy Hunger Network umbrella
- Team engagement activities, including bi-weekly meetings to discuss projects, socialize, and hear from guest presenters
- Mentoring, one-on-one coaching, and professional development trainings
- Assistance preparing for life after VISTA (resume review, interview prep, etc.)
- Opportunities to work with leaders in the hunger relief space, including current and retired corporate executives and non-profit agency heads
- Opportunities to work independently and lead on projects

CICOA is located in beautiful new office space on the north side of Indianapolis, with easy access to shopping, downtown, and the popular village of Broad Ripple. CICOA perks include free coffee/tea, easy parking, appreciation events, committee involvement, flexibility, and diversity.

Member Duties:

The Grants/Fundraiser VISTA will work closely with the Nutrition Director and CICOA's Development Department to expand the number of low income seniors served in Central Indiana. You will:

- research and write grants that support additional senior meals and funds for continued evidence-based programming within the meal sites
- research, plan, promote and implement a fundraiser

While you will be based at CICOA, you will be one of 8 VISTAs working under the umbrella of the Indy Hunger Network (IHN). IHN regards its VISTAs as a cohort moving through a transformational year-long experience. To help you maximize this experience, they employ a VISTA coordinator to provide mentoring and professional development to the team. See the benefits in the Service Description!