Allies serve full-time at local nonprofit organizations, where they are responsible for projects designed to have significant and measurable community impacts. In addition to serving at community-based organizations four days each week, Allies work together on team service projects and receive leadership training. Through their service, Allies have contributed to lasting community change by:

- Recruiting volunteers to build service capacity,
- Starting after-school programs in public housing developments,
- Helping minority-owned businesses get loans,
- Facilitating teen leadership programs,
- Creating asthma outreach programs for public school children, and
- Creating opportunities for leadership and new solutions to emerge that strengthen communities.

93% of Allies meet or exceed the expectations set by Partner Organizations.

One morning each week, Allies meet to network and learn together. Local community and civic leaders offer workshops on critical skills such as public speaking, volunteer recruitment, conflict resolution, community outreach, group facilitation, youth development, media relations, CPR, and other skills to enhance the Allies’ ability to make a difference.

Public Allies also helps young leaders develop future educational and career goals and provides coaching to achieve them. The Public Allies leadership philosophy, caring staff, community partnerships, and cohort of Allies combine to support the learning, personal growth, and professional development of each program participant.

71% of Allies continue careers in nonprofits, government and public service; 16% work in the private sector; and 12% pursue further education.

These well-educated and highly motivated individuals coupled with effective, values-driven social service providers, certainly make a positive impact on our community. - Gordon Vance, National Runaway Switchboard, Chicago

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Public Allies seeks nonprofit and government agencies to serve as Partner Organizations for the ten-month Ally apprenticeship period. Each Partner Organization provides its Ally with a paid, full-time position with significant responsibilities and an opportunity to provide direct service four days each week. On the fifth day of each week, the Allies come together for leadership training and to work on team service projects. Partner Organizations must commit to supervise their Ally’s service and support their leadership development.

Each Partner Organization contributes to the cost of the Ally stipend (between $700 and $1,400 per month, based on local cost of living). Public Allies contributes toward the remainder of the stipend, and through AmeriCorps, provides each Ally with health insurance, child care, interest-free student loan deferment, and a post-service education award of $4,725.

Partner Organizations are selected through a competitive process in which organizations and Allies interview each other and the best matches are selected. Local programs generally begin in August or September. To learn more about becoming a Partner Organization, please contact your local Public Allies office.

“Public Allies must be one of the best kept secrets around. The service provided has the capability of filling a tremendous human resource dearth in the nonprofit community.” — Monica Smith, National Conference for Community and Justice

Public Allies advances diverse young leaders to strengthen communities, nonprofits and civic participation.

Through our innovative, comprehensive program, Public Allies selects promising young leaders to serve as Allies. The Allies commit to a rigorous and rewarding 10-month, full-time program of paid, professional apprenticeships in community organizations, weekly leadership training, and team service projects.

A diverse network of more than 1,300 Allies has participated in our community apprenticeship and leadership development program in Chicago, Cincinnati, Delaware, Estes Park, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New York City, Raleigh-Durham, Silicon Valley, Taos, and Washington DC.

As a result of participating in our program, Allies:

■ Strengthen Communities – directly impacting issues such as youth development, education, community development, public health and safety, civic participation, the environment and economic development;

■ Strengthen Nonprofits – building the capacity of local nonprofit organizations by creating, improving, and expanding services offered and by bringing new resources and relationships to the organizations; and

■ Strengthen Civic Participation – catalyzing community involvement on important issues and joining a network of resourceful, collaborative leaders who continue to strengthen their communities, work for social change, and engage the participation of others for years to come.

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