

JustServe AmeriCorps 2009-2010 Service Year Site Placements

Asian Pacific Islander Women & Family Safety Center, Queer Network

One full-time position organizing to end interpersonal violence in the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Asian Pacific Islander community.

- *Member:* April Nishimura
- *Site Supervisor:* Lan Pham

Asian Pacific Islander Women & Family Safety Center, Young Men's Violence Prevention Project

One full-time position providing education on oppression, gang violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and healthy relationships to high school and young adult Asian Pacific Islander men.

- *Member:* Sincere Born
- *Site Supervisor:* Lan Pham

Center for Career Alternatives, Springwood Career Development Center

One full-time position providing job skills training and employment services to low-income youth who are public housing residents and other low-income youth living in Kent, in South King County.

- *Member:* Victoria Walker
- *Site Supervisor:* Claire Cortez

El Centro de la Raza, Hope for Youth College Readiness

One position helping youth to envision and prepare for college, by clarifying the requirements for college admission, tutoring students, assisting students with the application process, helping students fulfill application requirements, coordinating college visits and teaching parents how to become involved in the college preparation process. This project encourages youth to focus on their education rather than giving up hope and developing interest in delinquent behavior.

- *Member:* Lauren McElroy
- *Site Supervisor:* Graciela Gonzalez & Belinda Zintzun

El Centro de la Raza, Hope for Youth Civil Rights History & Poetry Classes

One full-time position helping youth to build leadership skills and preventing youth involvement in gangs and violence, through civil rights history classes and hip hop poetry classes in local schools.

- *Member:* Irene Route
- *Site Supervisor:* Alex Bautista & Graciela Gonzalez

Evergreen High School Community Schools Collaboration

One full-time position providing in-class academic support and mentoring to high-school students at risk of dropout at Evergreen Campus. This position will also help develop and facilitate after-school based leadership and multicultural programming, social justice speakers and film series, and strengthen connections with parents, community organizations and community volunteers.

- *Members:* Kirsten Thornton
- *Site Supervisor:* Chera Amlag

Highline Big Picture High School

Two full-time positions developing an on-site community wellness center, developing school-wide community wellness curriculum and providing support to families experiencing homelessness, addiction and poverty.

- *Members:* Jessica Lake & Brian Kenney
- *Site Supervisors:* Denie Hoy, Loren Demeroutis & Jeff Petty

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King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Unit, Downtown Seattle Protection Order Office

One position providing legal advocacy to victims of domestic violence who are filing civil protection orders including, safety planning, resource referral and information about the Criminal Justice System.

- Members: Holly Johnson
- Site Supervisor: Sandra Shanahan

King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Kent Regional Justice Center, Domestic Violence Court

One position providing legal advocacy to victims of domestic violence in Domestic Violence court including safety planning, resource referral and information about the Criminal Justice System.

- Members: Shanece Dedeaux
- Site Supervisor: Sandra Shanahan

Metrocenter YMCA Alive & Free Program

Two full-time positions helping to provide violence prevention, gang prevention, and mentorship programming to middle school youth enrolled in Metrocenter YMCA's Alive and Free (formerly Street Soldiers), which identifies violence as a public health issue and teaches youth to identify and eliminate the risk factors of the disease of violence from their lives and their community.

- Members: Chevas Gary & Ebony Johnson
- Site Supervisors: Jovi Catena, with school based YMCA staff Michael Garrett-Small (Madrona K-8 School) and Roderick Booker (Aki Kurose Middle School)

People of Color Against Aids Network - Corrections Connections

One full-time position providing re-entry support to women coming out of prison.

- Member: LaQuana Green
- Site Supervisor: Aaliyah Messiah

Powerful Voices

Two full-time positions supporting weekly girls' groups and one-on-one mentoring and support for girls in Seattle Public Schools and for girls involved in the Juvenile Justice system.

- Members: Madeleine Clifford & Emma Sando
- Site Supervisor: Devon deLena & Gloria Womack

Prisoner Education Network

Two half-time (900 hour) positions helping to provide college classes to inmates at the Washington State Reformatory in Monroe, Washington, through University Behind Bars. Inmates who complete University Behind Bars courses receive credit from Ohio University's College Program for the Incarcerated. The Member will travel to Monroe to teach classes to inmates two days/week, and spend the rest of the week in Seattle supporting PEN's operational needs and recruiting community volunteers to get involved in UBB.

- Members: Mandy Canales (900 hour term from 9/1/09 to 2/15/10) & Netta Dedeaux (900 hour term from 9/1/09 to 7/31/10)
- Site Supervisors: My-Lan Dodd & Ruth Gregory

Seattle Bilingual Orientation Center

One full-time position working directly within Seattle Public Schools' Seattle Bilingual Orientation Center helping to address the needs and issues faced by immigrant youth and families adjusting to the American culture, language and social expectations.

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- Member: Ruth Gebreselassie
- Site Supervisor: Irene Rodriguez

Seattle Law Department Community Court

Four full-time positions working to reduce recidivism and re-arrest among misdemeanor defendants by supporting defendants to participate in an alternative sentencing program. Seattle Community Court gives non-violent, low-level defendants the opportunity to give back to the community where their offenses occurred. Rather than re-enter jail from repeat offenses, defendants who enter the program can help themselves as they complete community service to improve the neighborhood, attend classes for skills enhancement and positive change, and complete social service referrals to agencies that help with benefits, housing, employment, education, counseling, and alternatives to prostitution and substance abuse.

- Members: Elana Jiminez, Stanley Kehl, Domonique Meeks & Anthony Mitchell
- Site Supervisor: Stephanie Tschida

Seattle Parks Department – City of Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative

Three full-time positions working at Garfield, Rainier and Southwest Teen Centers and Langston Hughes Cultural Arts Center, engaging grassroots community organizations and volunteers to support youth placed at risk of violence.

- Members: Angela Rowland, Kendra Martinez & Colin Englesberg
- Site Supervisors: Royal Alley-Barnes & Jeron Gates

Seattle Police Department, Community Outreach Program

One full-time position helping to build relationships between community members and police, by recruiting and supporting community members to participate in Seattle Police Department's Community Police Academy and ten demographic advisory councils. The Member will also assist Seattle Police Department's officer liaisons with outreach to youth at risk of violence and incarceration.

- Member: Tony Ramsey
- Site Supervisor: Maggie Olsen

Seattle Police Department, Domestic Violence Victim Support Team Program

Two full-time positions working with a community volunteer program that provides support, resources and referrals to victims of domestic violence at secured crime scenes. Each Member will help train and coordinate community volunteers and work (1) weekend crisis intervention shift per month. One Member will make follow up phone calls to victims during the week, and manage and organize the program's resources, and equipment. The other Member will work as the community liaison, helping to recruit volunteers from diverse communities, networking with community organizations, and updating all forms of media including a newsletter and promotional video.

- Members: Kelsey Ryland & Siobhan Teahan
- Site Supervisor: Dana Lockhart

Village of Hope

Three full-time positions helping people who are returning to the community after incarceration to access housing, employment and other basic needs. These Members will also support and mobilize community members to support families and individuals affected by the prison system.

- Members: Dede Adhanom, Gerald Hankerson & LaQuinta Sherrell
- Site Supervisor: Mary Flowers

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Washington Asian Pacific Islander (WAPI) Community Services

Two full-time positions creating a safe youth lounge (one at WAPI Community Services' office in Seattle's International District and one at the Filipino Community Center in Rainier Valley, South Seattle), developing a volunteer and artist in residency program and providing conflict resolution skill building and anti-oppression and social justice education to youth at risk of violence, substance abuse and incarceration.

- Members: Jennifer Chen & Maya Uemoto
- Site Supervisor: Greg Garcia, with Alma Kerns (Filipino Community Center)

JustServe AmeriCorps Team Leaders at Solid Ground

Two full-time positions providing peer support, mentoring, resource referral and coordination to the JustServe AmeriCorps team.

- Members: Raymond Sala & Amelia O'Rourke-Owens
- Site Supervisor: Tera Oglesby

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JustServe AmeriCorps Team Leaders at Solid Ground

Two full-time positions working out of the Solid Ground Volunteer Resources Office, providing coordination and support to the 32 JustServe AmeriCorps Member team described above.

- Members: Raymond Sala & Amelia O'Rourke-Owens
- Site Supervisor: Tera Oglesby