

# AMERICORPS PROJECT CONSERVE MEMBER SERVICE DESCRIPTION

*September 1, 2010 – July 31, 2011 Service Year*

**Position Title:** AmeriCorps Environmental Education Associate, 40 hours per week, typically from 9AM to 5PM M-F; occasional weekend and evening hours required

**Host Site's Name:** Evergreen Community Charter School, 50 Bell Road, Asheville, NC 28805,  
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**Site Supervisor:** Terry Deal, [terry.deal@evergreencs.org](mailto:terry.deal@evergreencs.org)

## **Evergreen Community Charter School Mission Statement:**

Evergreen Community Charter School is a learning community committed to the pursuit of excellence in holistic education of mind, body, and spirit. We prepare students for lifelong learning, environmental responsibility, and service. We value the voice of every member of our community.

## **General Summary:**

This year, Evergreen received a grant from Winter Green to construct a hoop house and begin creating a community garden on campus. A hoop house will enable us to grow food year round and to provide our students with learning opportunities for growing and sustaining an edible garden. We will use our harvest for cooking and eating with our students.

The Americorps member we seek will administrate the garden, plan for and coordinate the volunteers and students as well as teach curriculum using the garden as a hands on learning environment.

The service work will require knowledge of organic gardening techniques and the agility and desire to work with volunteers to keep the garden producing. The representative should enjoy working with children grades K-8 and have experience with curriculum development and creation of lessons to supplement classroom learning.

The position will require some physical work and a strong connection with gardening and working in the soil as well as a love of children desire to get them involved in the outdoors.

**Special conditions of service (if any):** All members will participate in AmeriCorps Project Conserve sponsored events, service days, and training days. Training days will require a minimum of two overnight stays.

## **Knowledge, Skills, Abilities & Qualifications:**

- Minimum academic qualifications for this position are a high school diploma. College level education classes are not required, but recommended.
- Knowledge of organic gardening techniques and the agility and desire to work with volunteers to keep the garden producing.
- A driver's license is preferred, but not required for this position.
- Weekly schedule will be during school operating hours, Monday through Friday, 8AM - 4PM.
- Must be willing and capable of physical work throughout the year.
- An eligible member must be 18 years of age and have documentation of citizenship / naturalization / resident alien status. Driver's license required.