



Refugee Support Network
SCHOOL'S OUT WASHINGTON

POSITION TITLE

School's Out Washington VISTA Member

POSITION START AND END DATE

November 25, 2013 – November 24, 2014

BACKGROUND

School's Out Washington

School's Out Washington (SOWA) is a statewide organization serving the afterschool and youth development (AYD) field in Washington State. SOWA is dedicated to building systems to support AYD programs for 5-18 year olds through training, advocacy and leadership. SOWA administers the federal Refugee School Impact Grant (RSIG) for the state. RSIG funds district-community partnerships to support refugee students through afterschool and summer programs, school-day tutorials, parent orientations, refugee and cultural information for educators, and academic training for community staff. School's Out develops resources and trainings to support those partnerships.

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- a monthly living allowance of approximately \$1069.00;
- medical benefits;
- childcare assistance (if income eligible); and
- an education award of \$5500 or a stipend of \$1500 upon completion of 1 year of service.

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POSITION SUMMARY

The VISTA member will provide training, technical assistance and resources to support the Refugee School Impact Grant project. The VISTA member will also plan, implement, and support others in the delivery of racial equity trainings. Through events and website resources, the VISTA member will work to increase awareness in the afterschool and youth development field, educators and the general public of refugee, global, Common Core State Standards and English Language Learner issues. The VISTA member will also seek additional funding to support the activities listed above. The VISTA member will have the opportunity to attend agency trainings, local refugee community meetings and participate in national refugee and Refugee School Impact Grant webinars.



RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide resources and technical assistance to Refugee School Impact Grant school districts and community partners to meet grant goals.
- Plan and implement racial equity trainings on behalf of School's Out.
- Provide technical assistance to programs to customize racial equity trainings to meet the needs of their students, families, and schools.
- Work with selected programs to implement racial equity trainings and to develop additional racial equity tools (such as powerpoints, activities, and handout materials) for website dissemination.
- Plan and implement events, and enrich School's Out's website with resources on refugee, global, Common Core State Standards, and English Language Learner issues.
- Seek additional funding to support activities listed above.

REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelors Degree preferred (equivalent education and experience considered);
- Strong computer literacy skills, particularly in Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Outlook;
- Ability to work independently;
- Ability to prioritize, organize and manage multiple tasks simultaneously;
- Experience working in diverse communities preferred;
- Competencies: initiative, collaboration/partnership, written communication, attention to detail, flexibility, professionalism, racial equity and social justice advocacy.
- Must have some evening and weekend availability;
- Must have reliable transportation.

TO APPLY

The position will remain open until September 27, 2013.

1. Go to <https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?id=52243&fromSearch=true> and complete an AmeriCorps application.
2. In addition, please submit a cover letter and resume to Pang Chang, Refugee School Impact Grant Project Director, at pchang@schoolsoutwashington.org