Please read all information below carefully.

The Governor's Office of Community Service (GOCS) seeks proposals for one or more 60-75 minute breakout session(s) at the <u>ServeMontana Symposium</u>. Sessions will be presented in-person, March 13-14, 2025 to AmeriCorps members and staff, on the campus of Carroll College.

ServeMontana is a leader of national service and community volunteerism in Montana. The annual ServeMontana Symposium engages diverse speakers to present timely, practical, and relevant information to AmeriCorps members serving across the Big Sky State.

ServeMontana Symposium Theme: Elements of Service

Breakout Session dates and location: March 13-14, 2025, Carroll College, Helena, Montana

ServeMontana Symposium Description

This is the most significant gathering of AmeriCorps members and staff in our state. Over 150 AmeriCorps State & National, VISTA, and NCCC members, staff, and staff of the Montana Commission on Community Service convene to learn, network, and explore creative solutions to Montana's most pressing needs.

serve.mt.gov/americorps/americorps-programs

As a presenter, you will

- Receive a complimentary conference registration
- Have the opportunity to meet, network, and share your expertise with National Service members
- Have your name and affiliation published in conference materials and on the ServeMontana Symposium webpage

Target Audience

AmeriCorps members and staff from diverse backgrounds who serve in teams and single site placements across Montana. Combined, they meet needs in the areas of Economic Opportunity, Education, Environmental Stewardship, Healthy Futures, Veterans/Military Families, and Capacity Building.

Session Length and Style

Concurrent sessions are 60-75 minutes and in three different time blocks. Sessions should be interactive and incorporate adult learning styles, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Session Proposals

Titles and content aligned with the theme are encouraged. GOCS seeks a diverse selection of offerings addressing elements of service and volunteerism.

Submission Deadline

The priority deadline for submitting your proposal is 5:00 p.m. on December 20, 2024. The final deadline is Wednesday, January 8, 2025. GOCS will notify you about the status of your presentation proposal by or close to January 17.

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| a brief bio of yourself (80 words or less) may be included in the conference booklet/session description ibe your experience speaking, training, or facilitating |
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| * 5. Proposed session title: (event theme is <i>Elements of Service</i>) | | |
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| * 6. Session description (100 words or less) If selected, the session description will be published in event materials | | |
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| * 7. Please list three learning objectives for your proposed session | | |
| Objective 1 | | |
| Objective 2 | | |
| Objective 3 | | |
| * 8. What type of presentation are you proposing? Select all that apply. Interactive sessions are highly requested and recommended. Presenters are responsible for session materials, handouts, powerpoint, etc. | | |
| Presentation with PowerPoint or visuals | | |
| Lecture with no visuals | | |
| Group discussion or roundtable | | |
| Panel | | |
| Activity or demonstration | | |
| Other (please specify) | | |
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| * 9. Which of the following does your session address? Select all that apply. |
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| Capacity building |
| Civic engagement/education |
| Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion |
| Tribal Relations |
| Leadership |
| Life After AmeriCorps |
| Member wellness |
| Montana Topics |
| Personal growth/Professional development |
| Project management |
| Resource development |
| Service Skills |
| Volunteer management |
| Other (please specify) |
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| * 10. Have you presented a session on this topic before? Yes No If yes, please describe the event and audience. 11. Please select your availability to present: Thursday AM (3/13/25) AM Session (75 minute block) |
| Thursday PM (3/13/25) PM Session (75 minute block) Friday AM (3/14/25) AM Session (60 minute block) |
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| Friday AM (3/14/25) AM Session (60 minute block) |

| * 12. Please provide a reference for your training/presentation style and proficiency. | | |
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| Phone Number | | |
| 13. Are you or your co-presenter an AmeriCorps Alum or Returned Peace Corps Volunteer? Yes. If yes, please share when and where you/ your co-presenter served in the text box below. No Service information: 14. The Montana Commission on Community Service has limited resources available to support selected presenters' time and effort. If you would like to submit a request to cover travel or time, please do so here or via email to serve@mt.gov. Thank you! | | |
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| Please contact ServeMontana with any questions about the Symposium or your | | |

Session Proposal.

Phone: 406.444.9077 Email: serve@mt.gov.

Thank you for your submission!