

FAQ

Are all member positions the same?

Yes, although site assignments may vary based on student age and school location, all members will fill a similar role as mentors, tutors, and role models to youth.

Does Peak Pathfinders provide housing?

Yes, we are fortunate to have two houses provided by the Eagle County School District for Peak Pathfinder members. Some members will be asked to share a room. The houses will only be occupied by AmeriCorps members, and will be provided free of charge.

How is the living stipend distributed?

Every two weeks the living stipend is directly deposited into your bank account. The amount deposited is the same each pay period, and the total living allowance is determined based on the amount allocated by congress each year. For the 21/22 term, the stipend is roughly \$1,200 per month, pre-tax.

How much do I get for the education award?

After successful completion of your term, you will be eligible for a Segal Education Award of \$6,345, pre-tax.

How is my education award received?

You will receive your Segal Education Award in your My AmeriCorps Portal. Navigating this portal will be part of your orientation training. You will need to request payments through this portal after your term of service has ended to pay back loans or use it for other school expenses.

What can my Education Award be used for?

You can use your education award to pay for educational expenses such as tuition, student fees, books or other course-related supplies, or to repay qualified student loans. Qualified courses include most post-secondary colleges, universities, and technical schools. Qualified student loans include: loans backed by the federal government under Title IV of the Higher Education Act (except PLUS Loans to parents of students), loans under Titles VII or VIII of the Public Service Health Act, and loans made by a state agency.

If I decide to apply, what happens next?

Your application materials may be submitted via My AmeriCorps portal or directly through YouthPower365. Once these items are received, if you are determined to be a good fit for our organization, we will reach out to you to schedule a phone interview. Offers are made within a few weeks after the date of your interview.

What can I expect if I accept a position as a Peak Pathfinder?

As a Peak Pathfinder you will make an incredible impact on the lives of the youth in Eagle County. You will also have many opportunities to grow personally and professionally through service, experience, and trainings. You will learn about Eagle County, the natural beauty of the Rocky Mountains, and the unique resiliency and challenges our community faces.

What is the region like?

The Eagle River Valley is unmatched in natural beauty. Eagle County spans about 40 miles along the winding Eagle River. It is home to world class ski resorts, mountain biking, white water rafting, hiking and more.

Are there other perks?

Yes! Members will receive many trainings to aid them in their position including but not limited to CPR/First Aid, Youth Mental Health First Aid, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, and Positive Youth Development. Members will also become certified to instruct within our Child Care State License. Health insurance is included, and members will have the opportunity to apply for Medicaid, SNAP and other federal programs. Members will also be eligible for all employee benefits, including a free ski pass.

How will COVID-19 affect my position:

At this time there are no COVID-19 restrictions in Eagle County. YouthPower365 will continue to follow Eagle County Public Health guidance to inform all policies in regard to COVID-19.