



**The New York State Commission on National & Community Service
Seeks Application Reviewers**

The New York State Commission has released its Request for Proposals for 2021-22 AmeriCorps Grants (Formula Pool). The Commission expects to receive applications in response to this Request for Proposals by April 28, 2021. The Commission seeks reviewers who are available for a review period between May 5 - 6, 2021. Reviewers will work as members of a team to perform the review. Reviewers will be trained, and the review will be facilitated by Commission staff.

All review will occur remotely, and training, individual and team review will be facilitated by webinars and/or conference calls. The Commission will provide a \$150 fee per each proposal reviewed and scored. Reviewers must have access to the internet and email, and a phone line that can be accessed for up to two continuous hours.

The Commission seeks experienced grant reviewers with relevant professional experience, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following fields:

- Non-profit management
- AmeriCorps program management
- Advanced education in social work, non-profit management, or related fields
- Government/philanthropic grants management

For the 2021-2022 application, in addition to any or all of the above, the Commission seeks individuals to serve as on its review teams who have relevant training and experience in the fields of theory of change, logic model design and evaluation.

Reviewers should have cultural competence and proven knowledge of New York State's diverse geographic, ethnic, and identity-focused communities. AmeriCorps alumni who completed service before December 31, 2017 are also welcomed to apply.

The Commission **cannot** engage the following persons as reviewers at this time:

- Anyone working directly with, or serving on a board of, an agency that is currently operating a New York State AmeriCorps program.
- Anyone working directly with, or serving on a board of, an agency that plans to apply for New York State AmeriCorps funding.
- Anyone who has, or would have, a personal interest in the upcoming New York State Commission on National and Community Services funding decisions, whether programmatic or financial.

Those interested should send a resume to the New York State Commission on National and Community Service via email only to NewYorkersVolunteer@NewYorkersVolunteer.ny.gov. Please put "Call for Reviewers" in the subject line. Approximately 6 - 8 individuals will be selected dependent upon the number of proposals received. Selections will be made based upon relevant experience and knowledge of the subject matter of the RFP. Commission staff will contact those selected as reviewers prior to April 28, 2021. *

**All grant reviewers selected must agree that, in the event of a protest to the bid and/or any litigation resulting therefrom, the grant reviewers will, upon request, cooperate with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) in the response to the bid protest or defense of any ensuing litigation, should OCFS need the assistance of the bid reviewers for those purposes.*