



AmeriCorps Service Member Position with TerraCorps & Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust

TerraCorps cultivates an ecosystem of people and organizations that center community land ownership, access, and stewardship to support a diversity of interests that benefit human health and environmental sustainability. We value the power of local nonprofits to best understand and serve their communities. Our goal is to help them succeed by providing them access to the AmeriCorps national service model to build organizational capacity.

TerraCorps partners with a network of 40+ nonprofits in Massachusetts and Rhode Island focused on community needs related to local land conservation and sustainable agriculture. These partners act as service sites for a new cohort of up to 60 AmeriCorps service members annually. Service members are paired with a site supervisor who provides guidance and mentorship while they learn to manage community programs and projects over an 11-month, 1700-hour service term.

Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust is interviewing candidates for a Land Conservation Coordinator (LCC). The LCC will engage with the Conservation Associate to manage volunteers on community service projects, educate or train individuals in environmental stewardship or environmentally conscious practices, and complete three capacity building projects. Potential projects include:

- Lead a team to organize the annual Massachusetts Open Space Conference. The conference is designed for people volunteering on town boards and committees who are interested in conservation and stewardship. This free, peer-to-peer event aims to empower local volunteer conservationists with lessons and resources they can apply in their own communities. Visit <https://www.massopenspace.org/2023> to learn more about this vital TerraCorps-led effort.
- Create outreach programming to help landowners engage in long-term thinking about their land and the legacy they hope to leave with it. Most of the remaining unprotected land in Massachusetts is privately-owned. This direct outreach helps landowners make informed decisions about whether, how, and when to conserve their land, and is critically important to helping Massachusetts reach ambitious land conservation goals. More information about this outreach project can be found here: <https://masswoods.org/>
- Coordinate the North Quabbin Regional Landscape Partnership. The LCC will help plan and lead quarterly meetings to bring partners together to share information about urgent topics in our region, such as climate change planning, and to advance shared priorities, including multi-partner conservation projects. More information about the Partnership is available here: <https://www.mountgrace.org/what-we-do/nqrlp>

Applications for this position must be submitted via the TerraCorps online application. The position description for the Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust's Land Conservation Coordinator can be found at terracorps.org/available-member-positions.