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AmeriCorps Partners in Learning Receives Federal Funding

DUBUQUE, Iowa – AmeriCorps Partners in Learning, sponsored by the City of Dubuque, will receive a \$238,569 AmeriCorps grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service for fiscal year 2017-2018.

AmeriCorps is a national service program that engages Americans of all ages and backgrounds to meet critical needs of communities across the country. In Dubuque, AmeriCorps Partners in Learning supports Dubuque's Campaign for Grade-Level Reading with a school year and summer program.

During the 2017-2018 school year, 38 AmeriCorps members will tutor struggling readers in kindergarten through third grade at the Dubuque Community Elementary Schools. Members are trained on specific reading interventions and work closely with the elementary schools to improve students' reading scores from the fall to spring.

During the 2018 summer, 30 AmeriCorps members will support five different summer learning programs. Summer partners include: St. Mark Youth Enrichment; Carnegie-Stout Public Library; City of Dubuque Leisure Services; the DREAM Center, and the Dubuque Community School District. AmeriCorps members also support community-wide events like Make a Difference Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, Music in the Park, and many more.

Interested in supporting our community? AmeriCorps Partners in Learning is now recruiting for the 2017-2018 school year. Members must be 18 years of age or older and have a high school diploma. Members earn a living allowance and an education award. Members who are 55 or older when they begin their service may transfer their education award to a child, grandchild, or foster child.

For more information on joining AmeriCorps and learning about available positions, contact Mary Bridget, AmeriCorps Director, at 563.584.8644 or marybridget.deutsch@clarke.edu.

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