Mental Health Promotion and Suicide Prevention AmeriCorps

About the Position
Are you passionate about promoting hope, connectedness, social support, resilience, and recovery around mental health? Do you enjoy making connections and providing resources to diverse audiences? United General District 304 is looking for someone to join our team as a Healthy Minds Alliance AmeriCorps to provide the Skagit County community with programs that start important conversations around mental health and help people take action to prevent the tragedy of suicide. Applications from women, people of color, people with disabilities, veterans, and other candidates from underrepresented backgrounds and with diverse experiences interested in this opportunity are encouraged.

Details and Benefits include:
- Complete a 10-month commitment beginning in Fall 2019, specific start date TBD
- Full-time AmeriCorps position - 1700 service hours – 40 hours per week, 5 holidays, 2.5 personal days
- AmeriCorps members receive a $13,992 stipend for service – paid biweekly = 22 checks
- $6,095 Education Award upon completion of service commitment (1700 service hours)
  *Term of service is limited to a maximum of 12 months with approval by Health360

Qualifications Required
- Bachelor’s Degree
- Ability to pass a national background check
- Reliable transportation

Experience Preferred
- Personal and/or professional knowledge of mental health topics
- Strong teaching and/or training skills and experience, especially with adult learners
- Understanding of mental health issues and resources
- Skills and experience facilitating diverse groups and creating/maintaining a positive, effective learning environment
- Knowledge about mental health resources in her/his community and state
- Positive attitudes towards individuals with mental illnesses
- Enthusiasm for reducing the stigma and discrimination associated with mental illness and addiction disorders
- Ability to speak and write in English and Spanish.

Position Responsibilities include:
- Participating in designated mental health evidence-based/informed instructor training
- Conducting mental health certification classes in communities
- Performing outreach to local community for course participants, as well as recruit and engage community partners
- Marketing programs through press releases, social media and informational sessions
- Tracking participants certified through pre and post evaluations
- Submitting evaluations as directed by Health360 and training entity
- Advertising courses to the public as designated training site
- Establishing and fostering relationships with health agencies as partners and resources
- Serving as a resource to course participants on an ongoing basis
- Respecting the privacy of course participants, colleagues and others, including the responsibility to protect personal information
- Advocating for mental health awareness by promoting course principles whenever possible
- Writing grants to support mental health focused activities
- Participating in AmeriCorps large service project
- Taking part in monthly calls held nationally by Health360
- Assisting host site with ongoing mental health community initiatives and regional events

About the Sponsor Organization
Healthy Minds Alliance is a community-based approach to the mental health crisis utilizing evidenced-based gatekeeper programs to train community members on how to prevent, detect and support people with a mental illness.

About the Host Site
United General District 304 is a public hospital district in Skagit County, Washington with a mission of building healthier communities through prevention and wellness services. Located in scenic Sedro-Woolley, the gateway to the North Cascades, United General District 304 is a dynamic organization with an over 20-year history of connecting people and communities with best-practice health promotion and prevention programming.

To submit your resume, please email:

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Please include: Mental Health AmeriCorps in the subject line of your email

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