



Is AmeriCorps right for your organization?



"AmeriCorps 101"

Presented by the Massachusetts Service Alliance

With the passage of the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, there is enormous potential growth for AmeriCorps across the country and in Massachusetts. In response to this increased focus on National Service, the Massachusetts Service Alliance (MSA) will present an AmeriCorps 101 session in different regions of the state.

The training will include the history of National Service and the three types of AmeriCorps Service – NCCC, State/National and VISTA. The training will discuss the basic differences between the types of service including the structure, benefits, requirements and process for an organization to participate in these three programs.

As the state commission on service and volunteerism, MSA administers the AmeriCorps State program in Massachusetts. The training will specifically address the essential components for developing an AmeriCorps State program within your organization. MSA will discuss the individual sections of its AmeriCorps Request for Proposals. The training will review the requirements and share best practices of program design such as recruitment, supervision, training, and volunteer generation. Attendees will have the opportunity to brainstorm the applicability of AmeriCorps for their organization.

Registration is required at least 5 days prior to the scheduled training date. To register for a training, contact Kristen Nelson, Administrative Coordinator at 617-542-2544 ext 221 or via e-mail at knelson@mass-service.org. In your email registration, please include your name, organization, contact information, session location and the number of people attending.

NOTE: In order to best utilize resources, MSA will **cancel** any session if there is not a minimum of 5 organizations registered for a particular location at least 4 days prior to the event. For questions or assistance, please contact Kristen Nelson.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Location</u>
February 2	9:30am - 11:30am	Lawrence Public Library Meeting Room	51 Lawrence Street, Lawrence
February 3	9:30am - 11:30am	Stoughton Public Library Wales French Meeting Room	84 Park Street, Stoughton
February 4	1:30pm - 3:30pm	Worcester Public Library Banx Room - Main Library	3 Salem Square, Worcester
February 9	9:30am - 11:30am	Springfield City Library Community Room	220 State Street, Springfield
February 11 Boston session is FULL*	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Wainwright Bank - Boston Community Room, Lower Level	63 Franklin Street, Boston

**Due to an overwhelming response, the Boston session is at capacity. There is a waiting list for the session. Please contact Kristen Nelson at knelson@mass-service.org or (617) 542-2544, x221 to be added to the wait list.*

All information sessions are wheelchair accessible.

Directions to the Lawrence Public Library
51 Lawrence Street, Lawrence, MA 01841, 978-620-3621

From Route 93 North: Take route 110 exit (Exit 46), bear right off ramp and at fork in the road. Continue straight on Route 110 through 7 sets of Traffic lights. At the 8th set of lights, you will see the library on your left at the corner of Haverhill and Lawrence Streets. Parking lot is on Haverhill Street side of library.

From Route 93 South: Take Route 213 East to Exit 2, which is actually the first exit you will come to and on your right. The sign says Methuen/Salem Route 28. Bear right onto Route 28 south. Continue on Route 28 past Nevins Home, Malden Mills, Ozzie Pizza and Goodyear Tire. Take a left onto Route 110 at Racicot Funeral Home. At the 4th set of lights, you will see the library on your left at the corner of Haverhill and Lawrence Streets. Parking lot is on Haverhill Street side of library.

From Route 495 North or South: Take Marston Street exit. Follow signs for Downtown Lawrence. Turn onto Canal Street (Ralph Pill Electric Supply will be on your left). At the traffic light, turn right onto Union Street. At the next light turn left onto Essex Street. At the 3rd set of lights turn right onto Lawrence Street. The library will be on your right after passing the Common and crossing Haverhill Street.

Directions to the Stoughton Public Library
84 Park St., Stoughton, MA 02072, 781-344-2711

Stoughton Public Library is on the corner of Walnut Street and Park Street which is Route 27. Three routes meet in Stoughton center: Routes 27, 138, and 139. The library is two blocks south of Stoughton center on Route 27 on the corner of Walnut Street and Park Street opposite Faxon Park. A blue and white Library sign with direction arrows points to the library.

From the North:

From Routes 128/95 South to Route 93/1 North: Take exit 2A /Route 138 South STOUGHTON and follow into Stoughton center. Continue through center to fork in road. Take left at fork onto Route 27 South toward Brockton. Library is two blocks beyond on left side of street at corner of Rt 27/Park St. and Walnut St.

From Route 24, exit onto Route 139: After Jimmy's Market on left on Route 139 (Pleasant Street) take first left (Prospect Street) OR second left (Chestnut Street) cross Seaver Street and take second right onto Walnut Street. Library is at foot of hill with entrance to the parking area on left.

From the South:

Route 27 North from Brockton goes past Library.

From Route 24 take Exit 18B Route 27, STOUGHTON. Road winds from the Brockton line until just before Stoughton center, Library is on right side of Park Street (Route 27).

Transportation to Stoughton center is also available by commuter rail and by the Brockton Area Transit (BAT) bus.

**Directions to the Worcester Public Library
3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 508-799-1655**

From Interstate 290

From the East: Exit 16, bear right at light at end of off-ramp.

From the West: Exit 16. Turn left at light. Proceed through intersection at Summer Street (Post Office will be on your left.) After passing under the bridge, turn left on Major Taylor Boulevard (DCU Center will now be on your right. Hospital will be on your left.) Proceed to next intersection (Worcester Common Outlets will be in front of you.) Turn left (Parking garage will now be on your right.) Continue through intersection at Franklin Street. There will be a brick wall on your right. At end of wall, turn right on YWCA Way. Turn left into municipal parking lot. Library is adjacent to parking lot.

(From Rte 495. it is approx. 20 minutes to the Library. From Mass Pike it is approximately 10 minutes to the Library.)

From Rte. 122A North (Holden): Main Street to Shrewsbury Street to Doyle Road, which becomes West Mountain Street, to Rte. 190 to Rte.290 westbound. Follow directions above.

From Rte. 122 North (Paxton): Pleasant Street South. Turn right on Chandler Street (at bottom of long hill, area is called Tatnuck Square) Follow Chandler Street for approximately 3 miles. (Chandler bears left at Worcester State College) (Cross Park Avenue and cross Main Street. Street name changes to Madison Street at Main Street) Turn left on Southbridge Street. Turn right on Myrtle Street. Turn left on Salem Street and turn right into municipal parking lot. Library is adjacent to parking lot.

**Directions to the Springfield City Library
220 State Street, Springfield, MA (413) 263-6800**

From the North: Take Interstate 91 South to Exit 7. Turn left at the 2nd traffic light onto State Street; proceed for three blocks.

From the South: Take Interstate 91 North to Exit 4. Stay on Columbus Avenue to State Street (3rd traffic light). Turn right, proceed for three blocks.

From the East: Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Exit 6 (I-291). Exit at Dwight Street (Exit 2B), turn left. Follow Dwight to State Street (9th light). Turn left.

From the West: Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Exit 4, Interstate 91 South and follow I-91 South to Exit 7. Turn left at the 2nd traffic light onto State Street; proceed for three blocks.

Parking: Free off-street parking is available in the State Street parking lot across the street from the library and next to the Springfield School Department building.

Directions to the Wainwright Bank

63 Franklin Street, Boston, MA

MBTA

The closest MBTA stops to the Wainwright Bank are State Street (Orange Line), Downtown Crossing (Orange/Red Lines), Park Street (Red/Green Lines), and Government Center (Green Line).

State Street: Exit the station and turn right onto Devonshire Street. Then take another right onto Franklin Street, Wainwright Bank will be on your left.

Downtown Crossing: Exit the station and turn right onto Franklin Street. Wainwright Bank will be about a block down on your right.

Park Street: Exit the station and cross over Tremont Street to Winter Street. Winter Street becomes Summer Street. Travel two blocks and turn left onto Arch Street. Wainwright Bank is one block down on the left.

Government Center: Exit the station and proceed down the steps turning right onto Congress Street. Congress Street crosses over State Street. Bear right onto Devonshire Street. Then take another right onto Franklin Street, Wainwright Bank will be on your left.

Driving Directions and Parking Information

From the North Shore of Boston - via 95 South

Route 95 South, Take exit 37A to I-93 South toward Boston
Take exit 24 to 1A North toward Logan Airport / Government Center
Follow this exit to Government Center / North End
Merge onto Atlantic Avenue, Turn right on State Street, Turn left on Devonshire Street
Turn right on Franklin Street. Wainwright Bank will be on your left
Use Arch Street Garage for parking

From north of Boston - via Rt 1A

Route 1A South, Follow to Sumner Tunnel, Take the Government Center exit on left,
Turn left at light toward Government Center, Turn left at next light onto Congress Street, Stay in middle lane, At State Street turn slight right Devonshire Street - do not turn hard right onto State Street, Turn right on Franklin Street
Wainwright Bank will be on your left - use Arch Street Garage for parking

From north-west of Boston - via Rt 93

Route 93 South, Take exit 23 / Purchase Street toward South Station,
Stay straight to go onto Purchase Street, Turn right on Pearl Street
Turn left on Franklin Street,
Wainwright Bank will be on your left - use Arch Street Garage for parking

From south-west of Boston - via Rt 90/Mass Pike

Route 90 / Mass Pike East, Take the I-93 exit 24 on the left toward Concord NH/South Station/Quincy, Take exit 24A toward South Station, Turn left on Kneeland Street,
Turn right on Lincoln Street, Turn left on Summer Street, Turn right on Devonshire Street, Turn left on Franklin Street. Wainwright Bank is on your left - use Arch Street Garage for parking.

From south of Boston - via Rt 93

Route 93 North, Take the I-93 exit 12 toward Braintree/Boston, Merge onto 1 North (becomes MA-3 North), Take exit 20 toward I-90/Logan Airport/Worcester /South Station, Take the Frontage Road exit on the left toward South Station, Turn slight right on New Frontage Road North, Take the Kneeland Street ramp, Take the ramp toward South Station/Downtown, Turn

left on Kneeland Street, Turn right on Lincoln Street, Turn left on Summer Street, Turn right on Devonshire Street, Turn left on Franklin Street
Wainwright Bank will be on your left - use Arch Street Garage for parking

From south-east of Boston - the Cape - via Rt 3

Route 3 North, Take exit 20 toward I-90/Logan Airport/Worcester /South Station,
Take the Frontage Road exit on the left toward South Station, Turn slight right on New
Frontage Road North, Take the Kneeland Street ramp, Take the ramp toward South
Station/Downtown, Turn left on Kneeland Street, Turn right on Lincoln Street, Turn left on
Summer Street, Turn right on Devonshire Street, Turn left on Franklin Street
Wainwright Bank will be on your left - use Arch Street Garage for parking