

**eliminating racism  
empowering women**

**ywca**

central alabama

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### **YWCA SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR AMERICORPS POSITIONS**

**Birmingham, AL** --The YWCA Central Alabama is currently seeking applicants for 24 full-time AmeriCorps member positions available designed to further the YWCA's work in eliminating racism and empowering women.

Each member will have distinct responsibilities. Positions include: teaching dating violence prevention to teenagers; staffing domestic violence shelters and advocating for victims; caring for children of homeless families; providing resources for residents of low-income housing; implementing social justice programs for teens; creating communications materials; staffing a clothes closet/re-sale shop; promoting neighborhood development; staffing a homeless shelter; supporting a college women's leadership program; and assisting with nonprofit capacity building.

Benefits include a living stipend of \$12,100/year, an educational award of \$5,550 upon completion, health insurance, an opportunity to work in one of Birmingham's premier nonprofit organizations and professional development. Men and women are encouraged to apply. A bachelor's degree is required for most positions. An interest in the mission of the YWCA is essential.

For over a century, the YWCA Central Alabama has been responding to the needs of women and families by providing: affordable child care for low-income families; child care and after-school enrichment programs for homeless children; affordable housing for families and seniors; a full array of domestic violence services and outreach programs for social justice issues.

Since its inception in 1994, 706,000 Americans have given more than 860 million hours of service through AmeriCorps. AmeriCorps members help students learn to read, mentor at-risk youth, provide health services, build homes for low-income families and help nonprofits recruit more volunteers and better achieve their mission.

The YWCA's *Building Communities, Bettering Lives* AmeriCorps placement is from September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012. Visit [www.ywcabham.org](http://www.ywcabham.org) and click on the AmeriCorps link for details. Send questions to [americorps@ywcabham.org](mailto:americorps@ywcabham.org). No phone calls please.

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