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YWCA Central Alabama Seeks AmeriCorps Members

Birmingham, AL – The YWCA Central Alabama has available six AmeriCorps member positions designed to further the YWCA's and partnering agencies work in the community. Members will serve with the **YWCA's Interfaith Hospitality House** providing shelter services for those in need, the **YWCA's My Sister's Closet** assisting with retail services for people from all walks of life and social media, the **YWCA's Communications Department** assisting with event planning and communications, **Girl Scouts of North Central Alabama** serving with volunteers or program implementation and **Workshops, Inc.** serving with volunteers and persons with disabilities.

Persons with an interest and experience in shelter housing, public relations and communications, service benefitting persons with disabilities or retail experience, and previous work with diverse populations are encouraged to apply. Member benefits include: a living allowance, an education award at the end of service in August 2013, professional development and an opportunity to serve with premier nonprofits in the Birmingham community. Find more information by submitting a resume, cover letter and questions to americorps@ywcabham.org. Please be sure to specify for which positions you would like to interview noting a maximum of three interview choices. All applicants must submit a completed application to: www.americorps.gov. No phone calls please.

Likened to the domestic Peace Corps, AmeriCorps is an opportunity for men and women to serve their communities and make an impact, while also receiving invaluable training and development. The YWCA's **Building Communities, Bettering Lives AmeriCorps Program** is possible because of a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service and support from ServeAlabama: The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Volunteer Service.

YWCA Central Alabama members serve at least until August 2013 at the YWCA and with partnering agencies including Heart Gallery of Alabama, Alabama Pre and Post Adoption Connections, Main Street Birmingham, Woodlawn Foundation, AIDS Alabama, Hope Manifest, Pathways, YouthServe, Girls, Inc., One Roof, Leading Edge Initiative, Girls on the Run, Railroad Park Foundation, Safehouse and Conservation Alabama Foundation.

About the YWCA

The YWCA Central Alabama is a United Way organization that is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. For over a century, the YWCA Central Alabama has been responding to the needs of women and families. The YW's programs and services serve women and families by providing: affordable child care for families; child care and after-school enrichment programs for homeless children; affordable housing; a broad array of domestic violence services; and social justice programs.

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