

Fight the summer slide! Change a child's life!

# SUMMER READS

# VISTA



Apply for Summer 2017!

50+ positions available in the Twin Cities and Greater MN

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ON A ROLLING BASIS IN FEBRUARY - APRIL 2017

## How would I make a difference?

Summer Reads VISTAs work together to fight the summer slide – the decline of literacy skills in low-income children in grades K-3 over the summer. At summer schools and community sites, VISTAs provide reading tutoring to those children who are performing below grade-level and are most in need of support. VISTAs also lead groups of children in creative and educational enrichment activities.

## Do I have what it takes?

*You should have:*

- a passion to help children
- a desire to make a difference over the summer

*You must:*

- be able to serve full-time for 8 weeks in June, July and August
- be at least 18 years old
- be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident

**NEW!** Thanks to a policy change, VISTA members can now hold outside employment during their full-time service term (with prior approval).

## How will I benefit from my summer of service?

- Professional and personal development opportunities
- Extensive training and coaching
- Living allowance (approximately \$455 bi-weekly, pre-tax)
- \$1,230 education award or \$230 stipend at end of service

“This was by far one of the best summers I have ever had in my life! I have never felt so accomplished, yet at the same time have never had more of a drive to continue to make a difference in children's lives.” - A SUMMER READS VISTA



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## For more information...

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