

**2021 SRI VISTA Service Description**  
for eGrants submission

<b>VISTA Title:</b>	<b>Groundwork RI Social Venture VISTA</b>
<i>VISTA Title should include your organization's name first, then the title for the VISTA. For example: Serve Rhode Island Marketing &amp; Communications Specialist or ISPN Data &amp; Evaluations Coordinator</i>	

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<b>Two-line Description:</b>	Groundwork RI seeks a VISTA to help build the capacity of our GroundCorp landscaping social venture through business planning, evaluating and creating more efficient systems, and external communications.
<i>This is what will appear on the myAmeriCorps search page, so it should be the "blurb" that catches a candidate's attention. It has a strict 200 character limit, including spaces.</i>	

<b>Program Description:</b>	Groundwork Rhode Island is a non-profit, community-based environmental organization dedicated to making physical improvements in the urban environment that also create economic resources for lower-income people. We achieve this through our many urban stewardship programs, which provide jobs and job training for residents while physically improving our shared urban environment. One of our core programs is GroundCorp, a landscaping service that employs graduates of our adult job training program. GroundCorp engages in a variety of landscaping design-build, construction, and maintenance activities including green stormwater infrastructure installations, tree planting, mulching and watering, and much more. The VISTA position will support the growth of GroundCorp, develop marketing strategies, help identify efficiencies and create new systems to accomplish program tasks, and strengthen our capacity to provide employment to local residents.
<i>This should describe your organization and the specific program that the VISTA will be working in. It has a strict 2000 character limit, including spaces.</i>	

<b>What activities will the VISTA be doing?</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Evaluate current systems supporting GroundCorp and identify opportunities for increasing efficiency and effectiveness</li> <li>2) Document GroundCorp projects and successes, identify opportunities to tell the story of GroundCorp through project profiles</li> <li>3) Develop strategies and physical materials (videos, brochures, maps, etc.) that build community support for GroundCorp projects including tree planting, green stormwater infrastructure, and others</li> <li>4) Develop training program for volunteers to support stewardship and maintenance of GroundCorp projects</li> <li>5) Continue to strengthen the employment and training pipeline from Groundwork RI's Adult Job Training program into jobs with GroundCorp</li> </ol>
<p><i>Please use this section to describe the VISTA's activities and what tasks they will be completing. It has a strict 1000 character limit, including spaces.</i></p>	

<b>Will you be offering any other benefits beyond the standard VISTA benefits? If so, please describe below:</b>
<p>Groundwork RI will pay a housing stipend for the VISTA.</p>

<b>Is a car recommended for this position?</b>
<p>Yes, but not required.</p>

<b>Do you have a language requirement?</b>
<p>Must speak, read, and write in English, but no additional language requirement. Speakers of other languages, especially Spanish, are encouraged to apply.</p>

<b>Are any special skills needed for this project?</b>
<p>Good communication skills, interest in working with diverse populations including individuals with past conviction records, business/communications experience, arts/graphics experience, education and community outreach experience, flexible and adaptable.</p>