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VT TechCorps Program – Member Positions Available Immediately!

There is a gap between those people and communities who can make effective use of information technology and those who cannot. Now more than ever, unequal adoption of technology excludes many from reaping its associated socioeconomic benefits. The term "digital divide" refers to this gap between those who can effectively use technology tools such as the Internet and email, and those who cannot. This gap is even more prevalent for those individuals who are low-income, live in rural areas, have low education levels, or are elderly - these are the Vermonters most at risk of "being left behind" and this is the population targeted in this statewide program

Description Of Activities: The VT TechCorps program will engage both full-time (1700 hours per year) and half-time (900 hours per year) members as computer mentors at local community host sites. They will help mentor/teach computer basics, keyboarding, Windows, word processing basics, Internet basics, and/or email usage.

Member Qualifications: This person must be a U.S. citizen, a national, or a lawful permanent resident at least 18 years of age and willing to serve full or part-time over a 10-to-12 month period. The person must also have a high school diploma or certificate of equivalency, or be willing to work towards such a goal as part of their AmeriCorps service year.

The candidate must have a basic working knowledge of computer technology and applications including Microsoft Windows, basic word processing, the Internet and email. Other important skills include facilitation skills, presentation skills, team oriented yet capable of working in a self-directed workplace, supervisory skills, and the ability to plan, develop, direct, and evaluate a community-based program.

Member Benefits: A VT TechCorps Member will receive a modest living allowance (\$10,600 full-time and \$5300 half-time), limited health benefits (if full-time), an education award (\$4,725 full-time and \$2362.50 half-time), student loan deferment, and position specific training provided by the host site as needed. Membership provides a great experience and the opportunity to provide a community service in a field that interests you.

Interested? Contact John Denison at 800-439-3307 x 14 or email him at johndenison@adelphia.net