

AmeriCorps Service

What are My Benefits

As an AmeriCorps volunteer, you may have multiple benefits available to you for repaying your student loans:

- **Segal AmeriCorps Education Award:** payment of a portion of your student loan based on the length of your term of service.
- **Forbearance and Interest Payment:** temporary postponement of payments towards the principal balance due where AmeriCorps pays the accrued interest for your service term.
- **Cancellation for VISTA Participants:** cancellation of up to 70% of your loan for participating in an AmeriCorps VISTA Program.

Things to Know

- To qualify for the Segal AmeriCorps Education Award, you must complete the required term of service in which you are enrolled.
- The amount of an award depends on the length of service.
- You must use the award within seven years of completing your service.
- You apply through the AmeriCorps website, and they will confirm the dollar amount with your loan servicer and send the payment when complete.
- AmeriCorps Vista volunteers can either request the cancellation or the Segal AmeriCorps Education Award. **They cannot qualify for both.**

How Do I Apply

Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

1. Visit the [AmeriCorps website](#)
2. Fill out the information, making sure to select UCSB.
3. Continue making payments as needed or apply for the necessary forbearance [[link to forbearance](#)] or deferment [[link to deferment](#)].

Volunteer Service Cancellation

1. Complete the [Volunteer Service in the Peace Corps or AmeriCorps VISTA](#) form.
2. Have an authorized representative of the appropriate organization certify your service periods.
 - a. [AmeriCorps](#) | 1-800-942-2677
 - b. [Volunteers in Service to America \(VISTA\)](#) | 1-800-942-2677
3. Submit the form for review.

Additional Resources

- AmeriCorps VISTA [Contact Information](#) | 1-800-942-2677
- AmeriCorps VISTA [Program Information](#)
- AmeriCorps VISTA [Loan Forgiveness](#)
- AmeriCorps VISTA [Forbearance](#)