



# AmeriCorps VISTA Partnership 2015-2018



### AmeriCorps VISTA Mission

## AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) builds capacity in nonprofit organizations and communities to help bring individuals and communities out of poverty.



## What is AmeriCorps VISTA?

#### A National Service Program (Domestic Peace Corps)

- Federally funded, locally implemented
- Members complete Terms of Service
  - Commitment of time to service and training
  - Terms runs from 1 to up to 3 years

#### 3 VISTA year-round positions Capacity-Building Focus

- 1. After-School Programming
- 2. Recruitment and Resource Development
- 3. Community Outreach

**Project Goal:** "building the infrastructure of extracurricular enrichment within GOALS programs within the community large"



## VISTA Summer Associates (SA)



- Focus on Direct Service and Capacity-Building efforts
- Serve as GOALS Cadets' youth leaders for 10 weeks (full-time) during the summer
- This year, of the 25 SA's, more than 50% are

GOALS Alumni!



### In-Kind Contributions and Accomplishments

#### • Since 2015:

- Total of <u>38 VISTA members</u> placed and managed at GOALS
- 28,536 hours of VISTA service completed (Approx. \$282,399.39 in-kind support)
- Major Accomplishments to Date:
  - Development of support for GOALS Academy Health Office
  - After-school operations & development for GAASP/GFGA
  - Teach For GOALS Program Internship Recruitment & Referrals
  - Most Active and Engaged GOALS Cadets programs!







#### Summer 2017:

Grand Opening of Dreamscape Too with Mayor Tom Tait