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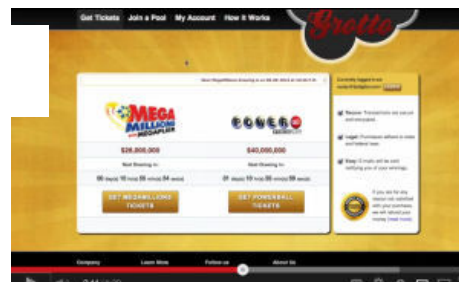
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# Mesa United Way seeks VISTA members to help

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## United Way

If you would like to volunteer to improve the lives of veterans or students, or strengthen Mesa's older neighborhoods while also earning a modest stipend, you're invited to look into five VISTA positions that have been awarded to Mesa United Way.

Three of the positions are at Mesa Community College and are aimed at strengthening services that help students succeed; two of them are in the Veterans Office and all three will work closely with the college president's office.

• Connect 4 Success Service Coordinator: This position is intended to expand services, including recruiting and matching mentors to students, establishing and maintaining office systems and procedures, conducting public relations activities and developing marketing materials.

• Veterans Services Projects and Event Planning Specialist: MCC's new Veterans Center for Student Success will provide a number of services and events designed to assist veterans. The candidate should have strong planning and organizational skills to ensure these projects are executed effectively.

• Veterans Services Program Support in Media/Technology: The candidate should have strong technical skills to develop and maintain MCC Veterans Services social media and web pages, maintain e-mail lists, develop and manage databases to track student progress, and provide other data services.

The two other positions are at the City of Mesa and both will operate in conjunction with the mayor and City Council offices. One is aimed at strengthening struggling neighborhoods, while the other will expand services and programs for veterans.

• Veterans Outreach Coordinator: This position will assist with expanding a wide range of veterans' services, with the aim of providing a one-stop-shop for vets seeking assistance.

• Volunteer Programs Coordinator: This position will expand volunteer programs aimed at improving low-income neighborhoods, including designing and executing recruitment campaigns, organizing and training volunteers, and conducting service events.

VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) positions require a one-year commitment and members

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are not allowed to have other employment. The positions will begin in mid-November and hiring will be completed by Oct. 1. There is no salary paid to VISTA members, but they do receive a living allowance of \$946 a month plus \$150 in housing assistance paid directly to their landlord or mortgage holder.

Members who complete the year of service have the option of selecting a \$5,500 education award or a \$1,500 end-of-service stipend. VISTA is a federal anti-poverty program.

For more information on the positions and to apply, go to [www.mesaunitedway.org](http://www.mesaunitedway.org) and click on the VISTA link under LATEST NEWS. If you have additional questions, please call Sandi at Mesa United Way at 480-834-2112 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

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