

# Wisconsin HealthCorps 2010-2011 Annual Report

Wisconsin HealthCorps is a joint AmeriCorps program of the Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association and the Wisconsin Public Health Association. Through AmeriCorps, more than 500,000 Americans have engaged in community service since 1993. Wisconsin HealthCorps was founded in 2010 to achieve four main objectives:

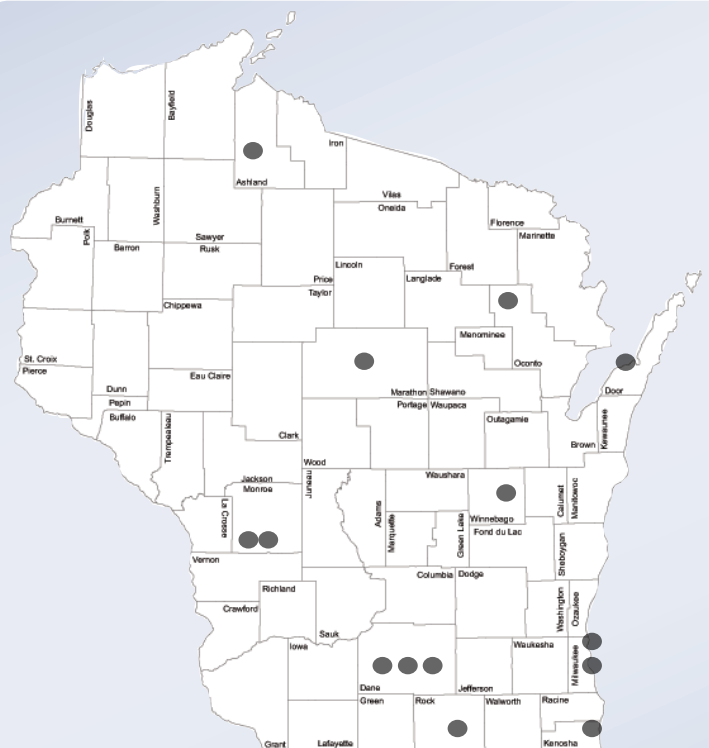
- Increase access to primary care
- Increase public health education
- Promote volunteerism
- Promote public and community health workforce development by providing members with an intensive year of service and professional development in a healthcare setting.



Wisconsin HealthCorps is funded through a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service and host site match dollars. WHC receives support from the Wisconsin Public Health Association and Serve Wisconsin.

## In 2010-2011, we partnered with these organizations that hosted the AmeriCorps members:

- Access Community Health Center
- Bridge Community Clinic
- Community Health Systems
- Door County Public Health Department
- Health Care for the Homeless of Milwaukee
- Health First Wisconsin
- Kenosha Community Health Center
- Milwaukee Health Services, Inc.
- Northern Health Centers
- Public Health of Madison-Dane County
- Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center
- Scenic Rivers AHEC
- The Lakes Community Health Center
- Winnebago County Health Department





# Wisconsin Health Corps

## Measuring our Success

While planning for our AmeriCorps program, we set what we believed were reasonable goals based on environmental scans of similar programs. Our members far exceeded these goals, providing us with a competitive baseline for future terms.

**Goal #1:** Provide information on access to health care, health insurance, and health benefits programs to 1,200 individuals

**Result:** Wisconsin Health Corps members provided information to 4,633 individuals

**Goal #2:** Provide health education to 1,575 individuals

**Result:** Wisconsin Health Corps members provided health education to 14,825 individuals

**Goal #3:** Recruit or manage 100 volunteers

**Result:** Wisconsin Health Corps members recruited 780 volunteers

**Goal #4:** Volunteers recruited or managed by Wisconsin Health Corps members serve 100 hours

**Result:** Volunteers recruited or managed by Wisconsin Health Corps Members served 969 hours

## By the Numbers

- In just over 10 months, 21 members served 32,282 hours in their communities
- 19 of 21 members earned education awards, totaling \$101,650 towards future schooling or student loan repayment
- 17 of 21 members plan to continue in the field of public health or community health

## Notable Achievements

- Constructed Wausau community garden at the Bridge Community Clinic
- Facilitated Two community health improvement plans
- Implemented family fitness program at Access Community Health Centers
- Revamped the Seal-A-Smile program at Kenosha Community Health Center



*We were fortunate to have such a committed and passionate group of members in the first class of Wisconsin Health Corps. Both the members and their supervisors demonstrated flexibility, creativity and leadership in this new program; they were truly inspiring. We are grateful to everyone who helped make the year an exciting success!"*

- Lisa Olson & Sarah Beversdorf  
Program Manager & Liaison