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Mesa United Way Has the First Two Recovery Act AmeriCorps VISTAs in the State of Arizona.

MESA, Arizona, April 22, 2009—Mesa United Way is pleased to be selected as one of the first organizations in the nation to make use of the Recovery Act AmeriCorps VISTAs (Volunteers in Service to America). The National swearing in ceremony for the new VISTAs will be this Friday, April 24th in New Mexico with the first two VISTAs in Arizona starting at Mesa United Way on Monday, April 27, 2009.

Mesa United Way has open opportunities for 18 more VISTAs in the following areas: Education, Marketing, Communications, Outreach, Technology, Resource Development, and Promoting Volunteerism. Opportunities can be found by visiting www.mesaunitedway.org and clicking on the VISTA icon on our home page.

AmerCorps VISTA Volunteers will give:

- A year of time.
- A lifetime of experience.
- A better life to hundreds if not thousands.
- Hope and inspiration to others.

AmerCorps VISTA Volunteers will get:

- Satisfaction.
- A chance to improve our corner of the world.
- \$10,380 in pay.
- A small monthly contribution towards housing or utilities.
- Healthcare benefits while in service.
- An end-of-service education grant in excess of \$4,700 or a post-service stipend of \$1,250.

Please call Claudia Walters, Project Coordinator for Mesa United Way, with any questions, direct (480) 834-2127, main (480) 969-8601 or email claudia.walters@mesaunitedway.org for more information or to schedule an interview with the two new AmeriCorps VISTAs.

About Mesa United Way

Mesa United Way addresses our community's most critical issues through our Community Care Fund. We partner with businesses, government, and nonprofit organizations to advance the common good and carry out our call-to-action to LIVE UNITED by encouraging everyone to Give, Advocate, and Volunteer. Mesa United Way is an independent organization serving the City of Mesa in Maricopa County, Arizona. Join the movement. LIVE UNITED. For information about the Community Care Fund, visit www.mesaunitedway.org or call (480) 969-8601.

