



## Van Buren Resilience Fellow

### Van Buren, Maine

Are you passionate about social justice and climate action? If so, we need you!

#### About Us

Maine Service Fellows helps rural communities tackle their most critical needs, with a focus on building climate resilience. The program increases the opportunities for recent college graduates to devote a year of service, use their skills to make a difference, and strengthen civic engagement and community resilience through engaging community residents in volunteer-based solutions. Maine Service Fellows recruits individuals within 5 years of their higher education degree, so apply today if you want to make a meaningful difference in a small-town community's fight against climate change!

You will receive:

- Living Allowance of ~\$28,000 per term
- Educational Award for Student Loans of ~\$5,600
- Full Health Care Coverage
- Paid Time Off

Maine Service Fellows is a Maine Climate Corps Network program contributing to the goals of [\*Maine Won't Wait\*](#). This program is part of the [American Climate Corps](#).

#### About You

You will help the Town of Van Buren advance several critical climate action resiliency projects including implementing the Town's Community Resilience Partnership-funded projects; engage volunteers and build partnerships; and conduct outreach to increase awareness of resources, including engaging vulnerable populations.

Activities include conducting an environmental risk assessment, developing a volunteer recruitment plan, developing educational materials, hosting community workshops on resilience, applying for grants, coordinating flood preparedness projects, developing a town-wide resilience plan, and host public events.

To be a Maine Service Fellow, you must...

- Be at least 20 years of age and hold a college degree (associates, bachelors, or graduate) by the start of their service term in January.
- Be eligible to work in the United States and pass a background check that includes a criminal history record check.
- Live in the community impacted by their project.

Strong applicants will have:

- Knowledge, skills, and experience in the development and implementation of climate resilience projects
- Ability and comfort with working with people.
- Comfort with working independently and ability to be self-directed and take initiative.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.

Exceptional applicants will have:

- Bilingualism in French and English

Start Date: Early January, 2025

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis.

For More information or to apply, please submit a cover letter and resume to:

Kirsten Brewer: [service.commission@maine.gov](mailto:service.commission@maine.gov) 207-624-7792

Or visit Volunteer Maine's [website](#)

*Maine Service Fellows welcomes applicants, participants, and partners of all backgrounds including diverse race, color, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity, physical or mental disability, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, familial status or genetics. Reasonable accommodations are provided to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.*