

Montana Campus Compact VISTA Assignment Description (VAD)

Title: Establishing an Artists' and Writers' Residency: Expanding Arts and Humanities Education and Exposure for All
Sponsoring Organization: University of Montana – Montana Campus Compact Project Name: MTCC VISTA Project Number: Project Period: August 15, 2022 – August 14, 2023
Site Name: The Root and the Bloom Collective
Focus Area(s) Primary: Capacity Building Secondary: Education

VISTA Assignment Objectives and Member Activities	
<p>Goal of the Overall VISTA Project: The goal of this project is to enhance the exposure of adults and children in Butte to high-quality arts and humanities programming, encouraging them to engage with the arts and expand their worldview and opportunity horizon. This project intends to 1) establish an artists' and writers' residency at the Jacobs House in Butte, 2) implement a practicum program for University of Montana Western students at the Clark Chateau, 3) develop a work study program that will support the Clark Chateau while providing college students a meaningful experience assisting with museum operations, and 4) support the long-term sustainability of The Root and The Bloom Collective by performing fundraising activities.</p>	
<p>Objective: The VISTA member will orient themselves to project performance measurement requirements in order to successfully implement each component and accurately report on progress.</p>	<p>Member Activity: The member will ensure they receive and participate in an On-Site Orientation Training (OSOT) upon arrival at the host site and communicate any project questions to the host site supervisor and/or the Montana Campus Compact VISTA Manager.</p> <p>Member Activity: The member must review applicable performance measurements and anticipate outcomes for each activity included in this VAD.</p> <p>Member Activity: Upon understanding the performance measurement reporting requirements, the member will determine and put into place reporting tools necessary to supply performance measurement data to the Montana Campus Compact VISTA Project on a monthly basis.</p>
<p>Objective: Determine the role of the campus/community partner in</p>	<p>Member Activity: Meet with the campus/community partner, discuss collaborative opportunities and potential.</p> <p>Member Activity: Maintain regular communication with campus partner.</p>

<p>the VISTA project.</p>	
<p>Objective: Create programming infrastructure for the establishment of regular artists' and writers' residency programs at the Jacobs House in Butte.</p>	<p>Member Activity: Building Jacobs House Residency Infrastructure: 1) design, create and maintain a website for reservations and reservation requests at the Jacobs House; 2) create a marketing/recruitment plan for the program; 3) develop and execute a regular outreach system to encourage local businesses and organizations to reserve the Jacobs House for their programming and work; 4) work with the University of Montana Western and other campuses to develop a sustainable academic writers' residency; 5) develop a packet of materials for artists in residence and plan their performances/talks at the Clark Chateau.</p> <p>Member Activity: develop a volunteer network for helping to run and manage the Jacobs House and maintain volunteer information in a database.</p> <p>Member Activity: Develop a plan for the Jacobs House to fund operations. Plan for one half of operations to be grant-funded and one half to be provided by community organization/business use of the space.</p>
<p>Objective: Create a sustainable system of connecting college/university students to the Clark Chateau to earn practicum credits at their school in exchange for teaching youth arts programming at the Chateau.</p>	<p>Member Activity: Develop relationships and coordinate with campuses including the University of Montana Western, Montana Technological University, the University of Montana, and Montana State University to identify departments and programs which can offer their students credit in exchange for teaching youth arts programming at the Chateau during the school year, during the summer, or during or short-term projects.</p> <p>Member Activity: Create a sustainable system for recruiting student teachers and for reporting on student teacher activities to their campuses/departments.</p> <p>Member Activity: Collaborate with college campuses to design student teaching programs that dovetail easily into these college students' academic requirements so as to encourage ongoing college student interest and incentivize participation.</p>
<p>Objective: Create a work-study program that allows Montana college students to have a part-time work study job at the Clark Chateau, assisting with management of the Chateau museum, tours, running of</p>	<p>Member Activity: Coordinate with the Montana Technological University to research and complete the necessary administrative processes to establish a work study employment opportunity at the Clark Chateau.</p> <p>Member Activity: Establish a program for recruitment and maintenance of the work study programming, and create a system to meet any fiscal or reporting requirements.</p>

events, and day-to-day administrative tasks.	
Objective: Develop funding streams for arts and humanities programming at the Chateau.	Member Activity: Research and identify grant opportunities to expand and maintain Chateau arts and humanities programming. Member Activity: Assist in writing and submitting these grant proposals. Member Activity: Assist in developing a system to track grant reporting requirements, and support grant management and reporting tasks.