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## OU to host AmeriCorps members from Michigan

Oakland University will host 300 AmeriCorps members from Michigan on June 8 and 9.

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"AmeriCorps Oakland has been instrumental in having Pontiac and OU be the host sites," said Carol Anne Ketelsen, AmeriCorps Oakland Program Director.

On June 8, all participating members will go through training and will have an opportunity to get to know each other. The next day they will complete various projects in Pontiac.

AmeriCorps members will stay on Oakland's campus in Vandenberg Hall and will use the **Oakland Center** for the training sessions.

More than 54,000 AmeriCorps members of all ages and backgrounds help to solve problems and strengthen communities through 113 national service projects across Michigan. Serving through local non-profit organizations, schools, religious organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, coordinate after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean parks, recruit volunteers and accomplish other things to improve communities.

Oakland University is a comprehensive state-supported institution of higher education located in Oakland County, Michigan. The university has 110 bachelor's degree programs and 63 graduate degree and certificate programs. Dedicated to preparing learners for the 21st-century workplace and society, Oakland University is organized into the **College of Arts and Sciences** and the Schools of **Business Administration**, **Education and Human Services**, **Engineering and Computer Science**, **Health Sciences**, **Nursing** and the **Honors College**.

### SUMMARY

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