



Enrollment & Eligibility Requirements

Citizenship or Lawful Permanent Residence Documentation

To be eligible for the AmeriCorps Promise Fellow program a member must be a citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident of the United States.

The member must provide an original, valid document on the list below in person to Alliance staff:

Proof of Citizenship	Lawful Permanent Residence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A United States passport; • A birth certificate showing that the individual was born in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, or the Northern Mariana Islands; • A report of birth abroad of a U.S. Citizen (FS-240) issued by the U.S. State Department; • A certificate of birth-foreign service (FS 545) issued by the U.S. State Dept.; • A certification of report of birth (DS-1350) issued by the U.S. State Dept.; • A certificate of naturalization (Form N- 550 or N-570) issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service; or • A certificate of citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561) issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent Resident Card, INS Form I- 551; • Alien Registration Receipt Card, INS Form I-551; • A passport indicating that the INS has approved it as temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence; or • A Departure Record (INS Form I-94) indicating that the INS has approved it as temporary evidence of lawful admission for permanent residence.

Government Issued Photo Identification

A government issued photo identification card must be used to verify the identity of the member and must be provided along with a copy to Alliance staff:

- U.S. Passport; (may also be used to verify the member's citizenship)
- State Driver License;
- State issued Identification Card;
- Permanent Resident Card, (INS Form I-551); or
- U.S. Military Identification Card.

Social Security Card

A copy of the member's signed Social Security Card with current name may be required as additional verification during the term of service and will be required with any name changes.

- If the member needs to [request a new card](#), the Social Security website provides information on how to obtain one.
- While waiting for a new card, the member can provide a copy of the [Social Security verification letter](#). The verification letter, issued by the Social Security Office, must include the member's name and Social Security number.
- A copy of the signed replacement card must be submitted to the Alliance within 30 days of enrollment to replace the verification letter.

If missing any of the above eligibility documentation, please take action as soon as possible to not delay your enrollment in the program.

Obtaining a Birth Certificate

The process of ordering a birth certificate can take some time to get a copy. Please take action as soon as possible to not delay your enrollment into the program. Please note that you must provide a certified birth certificate; hospital birth certificates (with baby foot prints) are considered "souvenirs" and are not considered to be adequate eligibility documentation.

Resources to order a birth certificate:

- Visit your local courthouse to request a copy.
- Born in Minnesota: Minnesota Department of Health - <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/chs/osr/birth.html>.
- Born in any other state: National Center for Health Statistics - <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm>.