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**CORA**

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Greetings team of CORA,

Currently serving with City Year, an Americorps Service initiative, at Roosevelt Elementary School, I have witnessed the inspiration students gain when supported and motivated consistently academically and emotionally. Through this experience, I have become excited and compelled to apply for a position with your program. CORA is dedicated and eager to bridge the gap of academic and emotional support within adverse communities. Based upon my experience working within a variety of school environments as a mentor, tutor, and coordinator of an after school space, I believe I would be a great asset to work as a YouthCor Work Ready Facilitator.

While serving with City Year, I have taken on initiatives that have enhanced my leadership skills. I lead an art program called Sketch Club, and coordinate City Year's After School Program at Roosevelt Elementary. Taking on these leadership roles has enabled me to collaborate and communicate with students and adults, brainstorming and executing on different projects, ideas, and events, to provide encouraging experiences during which we can foster students interests. My role as a tutor and previously a facilitator at Abington Friends School have equipped me to become a better leader. I have developed organizational and time management skills I have utilized to enrich certain spaces to be productive, engaging, and enlightening.

Working at schools with different levels of socio-economic adversities, primarily around representation and lack of accessible resources, I have developed a cultural understanding about the challenges different communities may encounter. My cultural understanding has allowed me to empathize with the experiences of others to discover the root issues that may prevent one from gaining exposure to certain opportunities and expressing themselves as an individual.

I believe my leadership skills and cultural awareness will add to CORA values of advocacy and support by analyzing and understanding people's experiences and the limitations they may face. Understanding these limitations will allow me to choose appropriate approaches to connect with children and families of diverse backgrounds, organizations, and employees of CORA to discover innovative and supportive ways to create more accessible spaces for children and family members to meet their goals and aspirations in life.

I hope to embark on a journey with the CORA to further enhance a community filled with empowerment, acceptance, and unity. I plan to embrace both challenging and rewarding experiences while gaining insight to

motivate children and family members. Thank you in advance for considering my application, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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