



## Meet Our 2021 National Service Segal Fellows

The Segal Program congratulates and welcomes our 2021 National Service Segal Fellows, in partnership with [Service Year Alliance](#) and [AmeriCorps \(formerly CNCS\)](#). These inspiring citizen leaders will join a network of over 140 lifelong Segal Fellows making an impact across a wide range of issue areas and sectors. Through their participation in the Segal Program, Fellows are supported with professional development, leadership resources, and a powerful community with which to continue their growth as an agent for social change.

Our AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Alums Segal Fellows were selected from a large pool of inspiring candidates. In addition to joining the Segal Program, our AmeriCorps Alums Fellows receive an honorarium from Service Year Alliance and work with them to promote national service, and our AmeriCorps Fellow will spend the coming year in a paid Fellowship with AmeriCorps supporting their mission and work and helping launch Public Health AmeriCorps and other COVID-19 recovery efforts.

### **Anthony Afriyie (2021 AmeriCorps Alums Segal Fellow)**



Anthony Afriyie was born and raised in the south-central Bronx and grew up in Stratford, CT. Educated in the Stratford public schools, he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a minor in philosophy from Western Connecticut State University. Having graduated during the pandemic, he served with AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps, impacting communities in Colorado, Louisiana, New Mexico, and Missouri. Whether it was doing national service or interning for the Small Minority and Business Enterprise for the City of Bridgeport, the Secretary of the State of Connecticut Denise Merrill, U.S. Representative John Larson, or in The General Assembly in Hartford, Anthony has consistently found himself working within teams of great people, to solve big problems whose scope exceeded personal gain. Since completing his service year,

Anthony has been campaigning for a local land use board within his town. Anthony is working to be the candidate for Stratford's Zone 3's Board of Zoning Appeals because zoning shapes our communities and our lives. It's the invisible hand that molds the locale to fit its character. He seeks this office because he wants to be a problem solver and solution finder for his neighbors who are dissatisfied with the outcomes of their zoning situations. Anthony is interested in urban planning and public policy. **As a Segal Fellow, he is excited to learn more about how to encapsulate being a citizen of the world, building social capital and coalitions to foster positive change, and improve on being a citizen leader.**

### **Alena Finnell (2021 AmeriCorps Alums Segal Fellow)**



Alena Finnell was born in Atlanta, GA, and raised in Indianapolis, IN. There, she completed her term of service with Public Allies Indianapolis. During her term, she was able to work closely with Peace Learning Center, developing racial equity workshops. Her work with Peace Learning Center culminated in receiving Serve Indiana's National Service Member Award. Prior to this, she had volunteered with Dayspring Homeless Center and worked in education with her alma mater, Herron High School. She is currently studying English at Columbia University. She hopes to pursue a career in English education and inspire a love for literature and writing in her future students. Along with reading, Alena is passionate about promoting educational equity, community asset building, and exploring her new home of New York City. **Alena is excited to learn more about how she can work to promote racial**

**equity in her community, as a Segal Fellow.**

## **Lindsey Johnson (2021 AmeriCorps Segal Fellow)**



Lindsey Johnson is an AmeriCorps Segal Fellow from Los Angeles, California. Before becoming a Segal Fellow, Lindsey served as an AmeriCorps VISTA at Crook County Health Department in Central Oregon in the Fall 2020–2021 cohort. Her work primarily focused on COVID-19 resiliency and recovery efforts, but she also addressed mental and financial health promotion and youth workforce development. In May 2020, Lindsey graduated from Colgate University, where she double majored in Peace & Conflict Studies and Russian & Eurasian Studies. As an undergraduate, Lindsey was a Bystander Intervention Intern at Shaw Wellness Institute, where she worked to promote active bystander behavior in dangerous situations, including sexual assault, harassment & discrimination, and drug & alcohol abuse. She also interned at Unitas, which is a non-profit organization dedicated to preventing human trafficking and providing opportunities for survivors to thrive. Through her work in public health, Lindsey has become passionate about prevention and health promotion, with an emphasis on social determinants of health and community resilience. She is also interested in environmental justice work and climate change as a public health issue. **Lindsey is excited to help launch a new Public Health AmeriCorps program as a Segal Fellow this year, and to advance the goal of creating a more robust, equitable public health workforce across the country.**

## **Stevie Lewis (2021 AmeriCorps Alums Segal Fellow)**



Stevie Lewis is originally from Florida and has lived in Minnesota since they were young. They earned a B.A. with honors from St. Catherine University in 2008, where their studies in Theology and History emphasized equity and service to others. St. Catherine University is also where they currently study, having recently been accepted into the Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership program. They were also welcomed into the Young Nonprofit Professionals Network of the Twin Cities' Leadership Institute cohort for 2021, where they look forward to working alongside others in their community. Stevie has been the National Service Coordinator for Recruitment and Communications at Literacy Minnesota since 2020. They are passionate about the importance of national service as a tool for equity in our communities. Stevie has lived their values, serving Minnesotan communities for the past five years. They served one year as an AmeriCorps VISTA Leader at Literacy Minnesota in 2019–20 and four terms with the Minnesota Reading Corps as both a Kindergarten-focused Literacy Tutor and Scholar Coach in Osseo and North Minneapolis. Stevie is particularly interested in meeting with and supporting national service members. They are a proud member of the LGBTQIA+ community and they hope to help create a welcoming and supportive environment for all individuals who want to serve. In their free time, Stevie likes to draw and design characters. **Stevie is excited to learn from and alongside others as a Segal Fellow and hopes that you'll say hello the next time you see them!**

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