



SOCCER WITHOUT BORDERS COLORADO

Sports-Based Youth Development Associate

The Organization

As one of the few global languages, soccer has the power to shape the world for the better.

Soccer Without Borders (SWB) uses soccer as a vehicle for positive change, providing under-served youth in the U.S. and abroad with a toolkit to overcome obstacles to growth, inclusion, and personal success. Founded in 2006, Soccer Without Borders has reached over 15,000 young people in 12 countries on four continents, and has been recognized with the FIFA Diversity Award, the Lipman Family Prize, and the Robert Wood Johnson Sports Award. With a focus on social inclusion of newcomer youth and girls, our holistic programs provide participants with a platform for positive engagement, an avenue for personal growth, and a toolkit for a brighter future.

We envision a more inclusive world through soccer, where all youth have the opportunity to reach their potential. Global displacement currently affects more than 1 in every 100 people in the world. Newcomer youth arrive in Colorado from all over the world, many fleeing some of the world's most protracted conflicts. SWB Colorado serves the refugee and immigrant communities in Aurora and Greeley, Colorado with a culture of welcoming and belonging that supports newcomers to build a new home. We currently serve over 380 youth annually through school year and summer programs that include soccer, education, and community activities.

The Position

The Sports Based Youth Development (SBYD) Associate ([Up2Us Coach](#)) will lead after-school sports-based youth development programs for middle and high school students, including facilitating team-building, soccer skill development, English language-integrated soccer activities, and leading and co-facilitating academic tutoring sessions. The SBYD Associate will lead programming for SWB's participants, serving as a strong support and positive role model for participating youth.

SWB Colorado is hiring a SBYD Associate for both our Greeley, CO and Aurora, CO programs. Responsibilities of this position include:

1. **Direct Service (80%):** Specifically, the Associate has primary responsibilities in the following areas:
 - Player Recruitment & Retention
 - Season Planning
 - Practice Planning & Facilitation
 - Player Evaluation/Goal Setting/Check-In Facilitation
 - Volunteer supervision, feedback, and escalation of cases for concern
 - Game Preparation (including transportation coordination)



2. **Program Support (20%):** The Associate will also play a key role in securing the inputs needed to ensure SWB Colorado can operate successfully. Specifically, the SBYD Associate has primary responsibilities in the following areas:
- Timely Monitoring & Reporting (Attendance, Academic Monitoring when necessary, etc.)
 - Event Planning & Participation
 - Student & Family Engagement (including house visits and mentor matches when necessary)
 - Social Media (providing material for communications, stories, photos, videos, etc.)
 - Professional development and training
 - Other projects as assigned

About You

- Commitment to educational and sports equity
- Energetic, dynamic, engaging and creative
- Strong work ethic
- Self-starter, entrepreneurial individual able to take the initiative and be a creative problem solver
- Experience working with youth, preferably English language learners
- Experience coaching soccer
- Dedicated to creating an inclusive atmosphere for all participants, communicating and implementing team rules and positive culture, and showing an active interest in getting to know all program youth and their families
- Willing to be flexible as plans change
- Commitment to SWB values and SWB Colorado program priorities
- Language proficiency in language other than English preferred
- Driver's license and personal transportation highly preferred

Time and Compensation

This position is a [Up2Us Coach](#) AmeriCorps term of service. This is a full-time, year-long service position, beginning August 2021 and ending July 2022.

As an Up2Us AmeriCorps member, the SBYD Associate will receive an annual stipend of **\$15,105** (paid twice a month), as well as an Education Award of **\$6,095** after successful completion of the term. SWB encourages persons of any race, ethnicity, faith, sexual orientation, gender identity, and background to apply.

Interested?

Please send an email describing your interest along with a resume to the SWB Colorado Team at colorado@soccerwithoutborders.org.