

## **Jumpstart Seattle - University of Washington & Seattle University**

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Jumpstart Seattle at the University of Washington and Seattle University are working toward the day every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. Jumpstart recruits undergraduate students as AmeriCorps members and pairs them with at-risk preschool children in mentoring relationships to build children's language, literacy, and social skills in preparation for school success. Jumpstart Seattle partners with the following Head Start preschool programs in King County: Denise Louie Education Center, First A.M.E. Child & Family Center, and Seattle Public Schools Head Start.

AmeriCorps members' service responsibilities include supporting development of young children's language, literacy, and social skills in the classroom, interacting with families to support literacy at home, participating in team meetings to develop Jumpstart session implementation, and engaging in on-going one day service activities, such as literacy story times at local libraries.

**Counties Served:** King

**Number of Members:** 110 AmeriCorps Members

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