



Coach Across America (CAA) Coach-Mentor Fellow

Soccer Without Borders

Boston, MA

The Organization

As one of the few global languages, soccer has the power to shape the world for the better. Soccer Without Borders (SWB) is an award-winning international non-profit that 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.

The Position

Soccer Without Borders is looking for a dynamic Coach-Mentor to serve at Soccer Without Borders' sports-based youth development programs across the United States through the Coach Across America Coach-Mentor to bring our mission to life every day through their work on and off the field, delivering quality programming and engaging in authentic community-building. The Coach-Mentor will be part of an innovative and inclusive organization that is made up of a passionate group of people who are united by the shared belief that sport can positively shape the lives of youth.

Roles Expectations and Responsibilities

This position is a unique opportunity to build the skills and experience of leading direct service programming at a local community organization, while simultaneously gaining exposure to a growing national and global organization with a vision of a more inclusive and equitable world through soccer. This position has two primary areas of responsibility:

1. **Direct Service: Soccer Coaching and Activity-planning (75%):** Coach-Mentors work directly with newcomer refugee and immigrant youth and families. Together with other local Soccer Without Borders team members, Coach-Mentors design and lead soccer practices, games, league play, team-building activities, and community events throughout the year. The Coach-Mentor will learn the Soccer Without Borders "FAMILY" model for coaching, creating an environment where everyone has an opportunity to learn, grow and belong. The Coach-Mentor is responsible for fostering a positive team culture through their facilitation and leadership skills. Facilitating group circles is a key part of building a strong culture, where the Coach-Mentor creates a space for youth to develop Social-Emotional and Leadership skills through reflection, voice, and connection.
2. **Program Support (25%):** The Coach-Mentor plays an important role in the behind-the-scenes work that goes into making our programs possible. The Coach-Mentor supports youth and families to overcome barriers to participation through youth and family engagement, including phone calls and house visits. The Coach-Mentor is responsible for helping SWB communicate the impact of the program to our funders

in grants and to our fans on social media through timely monitoring and reporting of activities and their attendance, as well as collecting surveys, stories, photos, and videos from our youth and families. The Coach-Mentor may take on other responsibilities to meet the unique needs of local program sites.

About You

The ideal candidate for this role...

1. **Is an energetic, dynamic, and engaging leader who is passionate about bringing SWB's mission to life.** You believe in the power of sport and are eager to have as many people live the mission as possible. You get energy from interacting with people, and look forward to leading teams of youth alongside a group of volunteer assistant coaches. *You have experience working with youth, public speaking, coaching soccer and are able to tailor practice sessions to age and ability.*
2. **Is a dedicated team-oriented person who enjoys building relationships and desires to create an inclusive environment for all participants.** You are interested in getting to know all SWB youth and their families, and look forward to building relationships with all members of the SWB community. You are eager to build a positive culture that aligns with SWB values and brings together diverse communities. *You may already be embedded in the communities we serve, have an understanding of the experiences of immigrants and refugees, or have cross-cultural experience from your personal life, work, or travel.*
3. **Is a flexible self-starter who can take initiative and be a creative problem solver.** You are able to work independently and figure out problems on their own without guidance. When confronted with a problem, you are resourceful when coming up with a solution. You are open-minded and flexible when plans change. *You may have experience working or living independently and managing your own schedule in less structured environments.*

Ideally, the Coach-Mentor is proficient in English and a second language spoken by the local SWB community. Having a driver's license and personal transportation is helpful, but not required.

Time and Compensation

This position is part of [Coach Across America](#) (CAA), a nonprofit that engages young adults in a year of [AmeriCorps](#) service as sports-based youth development coach-mentors. This is a full-time, 12 month term of service with a start date of September 28, 2026. As a CAA member, the Coach-Mentor will receive a living stipend of **\$25,500.00 + \$1,200 monthly housing stipend + \$7,395.00 education award**, and health care coverage. SWB encourages persons of any race, ethnicity, faith, sexual orientation, gender identity, and background to apply.

Interested?

Please send an email that describes your interest, along with a resume to caitlin@soccerwithoutborders.org. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.