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## **TUTORING PLUS WELCOMES AN AMERICORPS MEMBER THROUGH THE MASSACHUSETTS PROMISE FELLOWSHIP IN 2011-2012**

Tutoring Plus will be one of 35 organizations throughout the Commonwealth to receive an AmeriCorps member through the Massachusetts Promise Fellowship in 2011-2012. The Cambridge based youth development organization, which was selected through a competitive application process to host a Fellow, provides one-on-one academic tutoring programs for students in grades 4-12. The AmeriCorps program, currently in its twelfth year, places AmeriCorps members (Fellows) at non-profit organizations, schools, and city agencies across Massachusetts to create, lead, and manage youth development projects. Over the past decade plus, Fellows have contributed over 370,000 hours of service to communities across Massachusetts.

Tutoring Plus was formed in 1964 by a group of mothers looking to get additional academic support for their children. Today it provides multiple free programs to over 175 students, many from low-income families, matching them each with their own highly-educated volunteer tutor. Many tutors are volunteers from M.I.T. and Kendall Square high-tech firms, as well as other local professionals. The project for the Middle School Tutoring Fellow, Kevin Wetmore, will be to manage and pilot the expansion of two Middle School Tutoring Centers at the Cambridgeport and King Open schools. He will also work to create a presence at the sites during school hours.

“We are excited about Kevin joining our team as a Mass Promise Fellow. With Kevin’s experience in the school system, we are poised to really strengthen our presence during the school day in Area IV schools. There is no doubt this will greatly increase our impact on our students,” Manager of Volunteer Services, Sarah Morin said.

“We are incredibly excited about the diversity of projects we will support in the next program year and the impact that will be made by our 36 AmeriCorps members serving throughout the Commonwealth,” Massachusetts Promise Fellowship Director, Kori Redepenning, said.

**Tutoring Plus** has been forging relationships that inspire academic and personal growth since 1964. For more information, visit [www.tutoringplus.org](http://www.tutoringplus.org).

**The Massachusetts Promise Fellowship** is a statewide, full-time AmeriCorps program, hosted at Northeastern University. The Fellowship places AmeriCorps Promise Fellows in nonprofit organizations, schools and government agencies for youth development focused community service work. The Fellowship has placed over 220 Fellows at over 98 host sites to provide over 370,000 hours to communities across Massachusetts in its eleven years as a program. For more information, visit [www.masspromisefellows.org](http://www.masspromisefellows.org).