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**WV Promise Alliance for Youth VISTA Spring Training Evaluation at the
AmeriCorps VISTA Spring Training: North Bend State Park
May 24-May 26, 2016**

Tuesday May 24 2016

Arrive / Lunch (Cabin 9) at 11:30 AM North Bend State Park, 202 North Ben Park Road, Cairo, WV

Were you pleased?

___ Not at all ___ A little ___ Somewhat 2 Quite a bit 8 Very much

Comments:

1. Very warm and welcoming
2. Got slightly lost on the way, way lunch and check in went well
3. Atmosphere was very welcoming
4. Nice cabins. Tasty lunch
5. I love how you never have to worry about food (what's being offered, getting enough to eat) at these things.
6. The potato soup was awesome by the way. The welcome was just as awesome
7. Exceeded all expectations

1:00 PM

Welcome by Pam Dugan WV Promise Project Director

Were you pleased?

___ Not at all ___ A little 1 Somewhat 3 Quite a bit 5 Very much

Comments:

1. Glad to be included (Waylons group). Thank you for the shirt
2. Slightly scattered, but good
3. Background information on programs and people always help make things clearer
4. Presentation seemed to be well thought out and prepared. Excellent information about program
5. Very engaging, positive
6. VISTA Gear! Great! Thanks

1:30 PM

How to be "A" Celebrity by Dana Myslinsky

Were you pleased?

___ Not at all ___ A little ___ Somewhat 4 Quite a bit 6 Very much

Comments:

1. Glad to learn about everyone else sites. Thank you for interactive activities
2. Could have used more directions. Not sure I got a lot out of this, but I enjoyed the creativity and discussion
3. Elevator speeches are helpful
4. Dana always seems to get the team involved and everyone seemed excited to be here
5. Fun listening to people's stories
6. Pointing us in a productive directions
7. Dana is great

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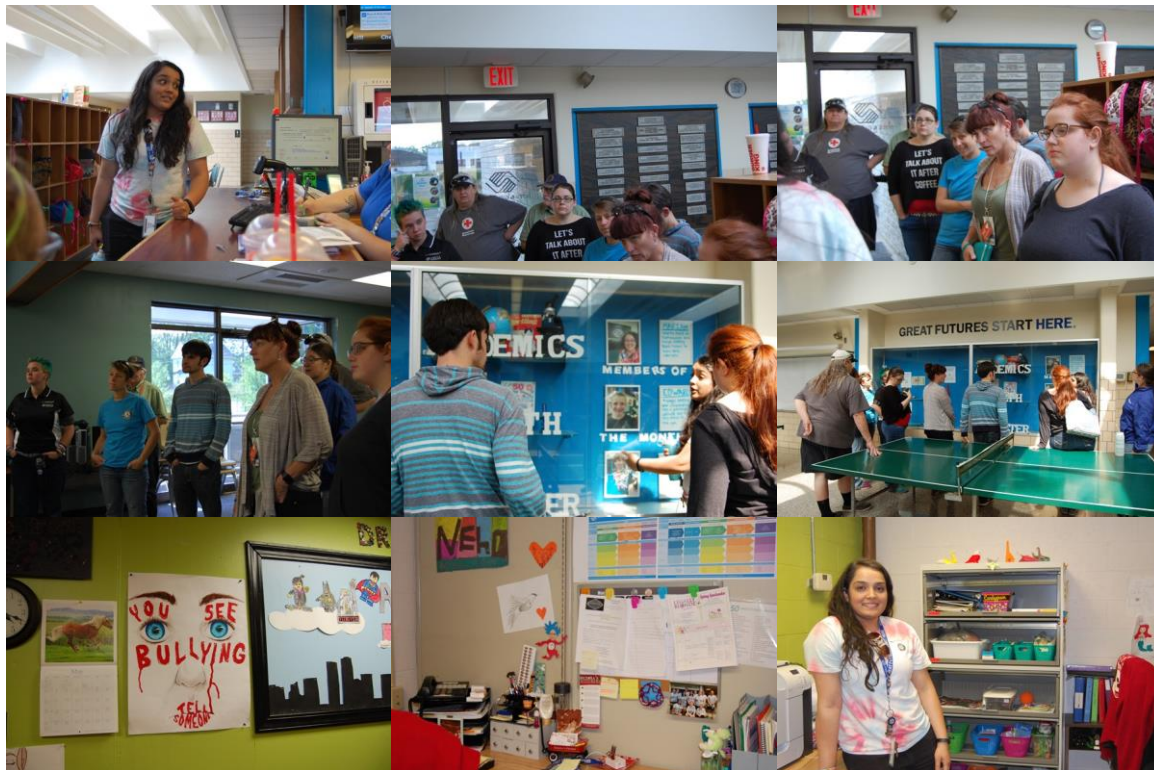
Boys & Girls Club Tour and Community Project

Were you pleased?

___ Not at all __1__ A little ___ Somewhat _1__ Quite a bit __8__ Very much

Comments:

1. I loved the facility
2. A most impressive program with obvious community support. Much can be gleamed and implemented at other organizations.
3. What an amazing facility. I thought the archology dig site/ sand pit was a good idea
4. It was a cool go see someone else's project site and what they were doing through VISTA
5. The oppportunity was overwhelming to see how VISTA and partnership collaborated into serving out youth.
6. Not sure why we were there. Neat facility but what affect did VISTA have?
7. Loved to meet the kids
8. A Wonderful Club a lot going on, nice to see where other VISTAs are serving, loved to see Neha's office and where she serves from each day



Dive to and from the Boys & Girls Club

Were you pleased?

___ Not at all ___ A little __2__ Somewhat _2__ Quite a bit __6__ Very much

1 Neutral

Comments:

1. A little bumpy
2. The drive offered time for discussion among small groups
3. It was pretty and I had a nice nap

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4. Even though we got off track on the way there, it became an adventure.... I knew the way back and the atmosphere was great
5. It was just a car ride, why ask?
6. Rode a beam of light back to the lodge
7. Back woods country WV roads!! Crazy, but a short cut.

5 PM

Check in to cabins and get settled in

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Beds were small and creaky
2. Beds were comfy, cabin was clean. Plenty of room
3. I like cabins and trees. My cabin mates are cool
4. I was very excited to see the awesomeness of the 3 bed and 2 bath cabin with cable tv!
5. Cabins are nice
6. All was sparkling clean and ready to go
7. Cabins were great, clean, lots of room, beds were very nice

6:30 Dinner (Cabin 9)

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Nice variety
2. Hospitality was the bomb. Much variety
3. Dinner was delicious
4. The food has been excellent
5. Not what I normally eat
6. Very nourishing and tasty
7. Always good and enough to pick from

8:00 Free Time

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Had a good time getting to know people. Fun games
2. Great interaction among VISTAS
3. Something for everyone
4. I love my VISTA family! <3
5. I had a really good time hanging out with the other VISTAS
6. I went to my cabin and relaxed into a deep sleep....
7. Slept like a dog, dreamed I was in the clouds
8. I trained a new Promise VISTA, but had a great time getting to know her-she is wonderful

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Other suggestions for next:

Wednesday May 25, 2016

9 AM Breakfast (Cabin 9)

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Good variety
2. The food is always very good at these trainings
3. Breakfast with a smile and again the food is great!!
4. Good variety
5. Good food; fruit, veggies, breads, cereal, eggs, ham, bacon, sausage, yogurt, so much to choose from, GREAT!

10:00AM

**Event Promotions: Meet your local Media with Michael Erb
(Parkersburg News and Sentinel)**

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Disappointed mucho
2. He didn't show, so.....N/A
3. Not pleased that they were not able to make it, but glade that Neha and Pam would improvise
4. Did not happen ☹
5. No show
6. Did not show
7. Did not show up, got lost

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10:30 AM

VISTA Alumni Presentation by Emily Gilmore

Were you pleased?

___Not at all ___A little ___Somewhat ___1___Quite a bit ___7___Very much Comments:

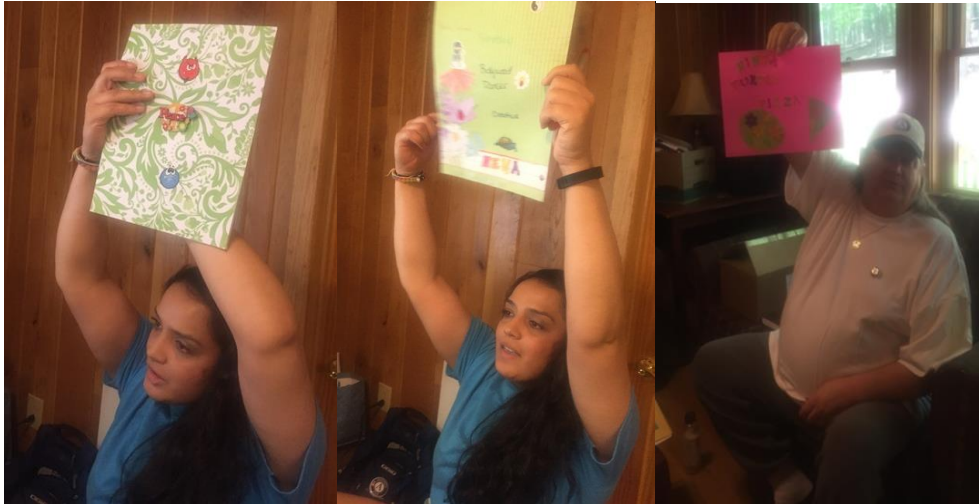
1. I liked the ability to be creative
2. The pizza analogy was a lot of fun
3. I think hearing from veterans VISTAS helps to know what works & what to be prepared for
4. It was cool to hear everyone's story
5. It was great to get to know everyone a little better
6. Loved it, I made a "ninja turtle pizza"
7. Emily did a great job, loved everyone's "pizza" story of life, very deep.



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11:00 AM

VISTA Project Sharing; Bring VAD

Were you pleased?

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1. Glad I was able to hear about the other VISTAS problems
2. I don't really have improvements to suggest, other than maybe to have everyone write a script to follow so there aren't some that go on and on.
3. Everyone seemed to be excited about their sites and are "getting thing done"
4. Maybe provide a list of organization/names. I couldn't keep up with everyone
5. Sharing with everyone is always interesting, helpful way to learn and fun



12 PM Lunch

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___1___ Not at all ___2___ A little ___3___ Somewhat ___4___ Quite a bit ___5___ Very much

Comments:

1. Yum
2. Excellent food
3. Grilled cheese 😊
4. Great meals.

1:30 PM

VISTA Sponsor Breakout sessions

Were you pleased?

___1___ Not at all ___2___ A little ___3___ Somewhat ___4___ Quite a bit ___5___ Very much

Comments:

1. N/A – Didn't do breakout session
2. These days have been fun! Cosmic Ray's presentation was awesome!
3. ?
4. Did not have breakout session. Vet Community Outreach VISTA presentation

3 PM

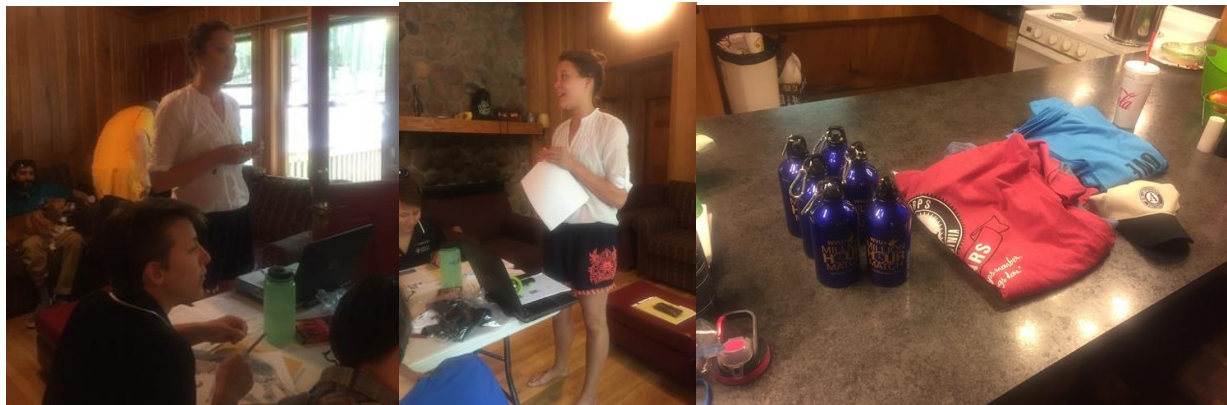
DIY Elevator Pitch by Dana Myslinsky

Were you pleased?

___1___ Not at all ___2___ A little ___3___ Somewhat ___4___ Quite a bit ___5___ Very much

Comments:

1. Done this too many times
2. Good way to engage
3. Very useful tips
4. It seems like every time I do this, I learn something now and get better at it.
5. Stayed and talked to Joe to help figure out what I'm doing
6. Great refresher and good way to practice
7. Prizes/gifts for everyone.... Thank you Dana



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4 PM

Governor Representative Information by Pam Dugan

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much Comments:

1. Didn't know about this information
2. Information was good but the environment was difficult to concentrate in
3. I never knew we had a representative & what they had to offer
4. Quite information
5. Learned about governor's reps and did learn something new about them

5 PM

Reports Questions & updates by Pam Dugan

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Not sure if we actually touched on this
2. Things are much clearer now! Thanks
3. Pam did a great job with the way she presented all of the information

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6:30 PM Dinner (Cabin 9)

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 Not at all A little 1 Somewhat 1 Quite a bit 7 Very much

Comments:

1. Food was fabulous!
2. Tacos! <3
3. Food is still excellent
4. N/A
5. Good Food, meals have been wonderful

6:30 PM Free Time, camp fire

Were you pleased?

 Not at all A little Somewhat 1 Quite a bit 8 Very much

Comments:

1. Yummy
2. Down time is always good
3. So much fun!
4. I'm going to miss all the VISTAS! :*(-
5. Relaxing again tonight



Other suggestions for next:

1. Children are wonderful but it was sometimes difficult to concentrate on the tasks at hand
2. Hot tub! (just kidding)

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Thursday, May 26, 2016(Out of Cabins by 8 AM!!!)

9 AM Breakfast (Cabin 9)

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

Comments:

1. Need more eggs but it was good regardless
2. Coffee & food is always good. Thanks!
3. Emily was very fair about the eggs
4. The food is always good enough said
5. Food as always great!



10 AM

Q & A, Evaluations, Travel Forms, Group photo

Were you pleased?

Not at all A little Somewhat Quite a bit Very much

1. Sorry to go home....
2. The past few days have really been a memory that will stick with me.... Thanks to everyone for their service and Pam for hosting a great event!!!

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3. I'm just not very social. It's more my fault than VISTAS
4. Feels like a retreat! Fun and energizing