PowerCorpsPHL Staff Changes

After 15 months with the <u>PowerCorps PHL</u> family, **Nic Esposito** moved on to an exciting new opportunity in Philadelphia Parks & Recreation.

"I will be creating a new series of land care trainings for our grounds workers and facility caretakers to enhance their knowledge of sustainable land care practices and further their workforce development. This is an important initiative for the department, and since we have PowerCorps members acquiring opportunities such as SMA positions in the parks, I look forward to continuing working with PowerCorps members."

Daniel Lawson and **Daniel Steele Brown** have replaced Nic as PowerCorps PHL program leaders.



Daniel (left) serves as the PowerCorps PHL Project Manager and is responsible for the daily service projects of the five PowerCorps PHL crews serving with Parks & Recreation. He assigns projects to crews on a weekly basis that align with departmental needs and priorities, coordinates department staff and PowerCorps PHL Crew Leaders, and ensures that all necessary resources are available for each project.

Daniel is originally from Northern Virginia, and has most recently been living in Washington, DC while working with City Year for five years as the Civic Engagement Program Manager. He currently lives in the Bella Vista neighborhood and is getting to know the city District by District, park by park. Daniel welcomes a good project anytime there's a need for assistance from PowerCorps.



As the Assistant Project Manager for PowerCorps PHL, Dan Brown (left) is responsible for making sure the 4 (soon to be 5) crews of PowerCorps members working on Parks & Recreation projects are well supplied, carrying out the work properly and are fully supported with anything else related to the project ensuring they are set up to succeed. As the PowerCorps crews are more often than not scattered in various parts of the city in parks and recreation centers, he is between sites most days, checking in on crews, and is really starting to fill out his knowledge of city geography.

Dan is a Philadelphia transplant from Western Maryland and a Penn State -Altoona graduate in Environmental Studies. Dan moved to Philadelphia four years ago for love, stayed in love, and got married to his wife, Annisa, at Valley Green Inn last April, 2014. Dan has served as an AmeriCorps VISTA in Philadelphia and was previously a Community Service

Supervisor for the New Jersey Youth Corps of Camden County.

PowerCorps PHL is an innovative, new AmeriCorps program designed to address municipal and state environmental stewardship initiatives as well as the City of Philadelphia's youth workforce development and violence prevention priorities.

