

Youth Engagement Programs Intern Spring/Summer 2017



Our Program

The purpose of our internships is to provide a meaningful learning-based experience to an individual enrolled in a degree-granting program related to non-profits, youth services, or education/curriculum development. This position is a great opportunity for an enthusiastic individual to gain experience in the youth service field and in program development and administration. All interns are provided with comprehensive orientation to the organization, as well as ongoing training and supervision by qualified management staff. The program is open to any degree seeking student who has completed at least one year of undergraduate education. Applications will be processed on a rolling basis through April 30th. This is a 4 day per week commitment, preferred starting date is end of May and preferred ending date is flexible through July 31st (with July 3rd – 7th off). This is an unpaid internship, but preference may be given to students with service learning or similar academic credit requirements.

Basic Qualifications

- Experience or interest in working directly with middle/high school youth.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite programs (Outlook, Word, Power Point, and Excel).
- Excellent written and oral communication skills, including presentation skills.
- Ability to prioritize and work on assignments with minimal supervision.
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills.
- Motivation and strong initiative.
- Valid driver's license

Organization

Harvesters' mission is to feed hungry people today and work to end hunger tomorrow. Our agency network of shelters, food pantries, and kitchens feeds more than 141,500 different individuals each month throughout a 26-county area. Since 1979 we have been providing food and hope to the people of NE Kansas and NW Missouri. It is the policy and practices of Harvesters - The Community Food Network to recruit and to hire regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap, sexual orientation or because such applicant is forty (40) years of age or older.

Position Summary

The Community Engagement Intern will support programs to engage youth ages 12 and up in hunger awareness and advocacy, including two Youth Hunger Summits (June 5th – 8th, July 24th – 27th), the Youth Leadership Council on Hunger, and stand-alone service learning modules. The overall goals of the program are to help youth become advocates and leaders on the issue of hunger. The Intern will work with our community engagement team to support preparation and implementation for youth leadership trainings, specifically:

- Updating content and curriculum for the 4 day Summits, including activities, projects, off-site events, etc. to enhance the attendees experience.
- Review toolkit and create a new, user-friendly format for Summit participants and youth volunteers.
- Supporting Harvesters communication team by gathering and organizing stories and data.
- Working with Youth Council members to facilitate activities during the summer, to prepare for Hunger Action Month (September) and other opportunities.

For more information or to request an application form, contact Ann Van Zee, Community Engagement Manager at avanzee@harvesters.org