



OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT INTERNSHIP INFORMATION

WHEN: SUMMER AND FALL

WHERE: ALLEN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER WHICH SERVES AS A HUB FOR NEIGHBORHOOD EDUCATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING. WE OFFER ACTIVITIES THAT PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND STABILITY OF FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS ON THE EASTSIDE OF LANSING.

INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION: INTERNS WILL ASSIST IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZING WITHIN THE LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD AND IDENTIFYING RESIDENTS IN NEED OF CENTER-BASED AND LOCAL RESOURCES. THEY WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION AND REFERRALS TO COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND FOLLOW-UP TO MAKE SURE THAT RESIDENTS GET WHAT THEY NEED. THEY WILL LEARN ELIGIBILITY AND THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE INGHAM HEALTH PLAN, MEDICAID/FOOD STAMPS, THE LANSING FOOD BANK, AND LOCAL HOUSING RESOURCES.

INTERNS WILL HEAR ABOUT SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC BARRIERS FROM NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS INSTEAD OF TEXTBOOKS AND LECTURES AND WILL ASSIST RESIDENTS IN MOVING BEYOND THOSE BARRIERS. THEY WILL ASSIST IN CONNECTING NEIGHBORS TO ONE ANOTHER BASED ON THEIR INTERESTS. THEY WILL ALSO SUPPORT NEIGHBORS AND GROUPS WITH ISSUES THEY ARE INTERESTED IN ADDRESSING WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITY. THIS IS AN OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO INCREASE THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES, VIEW SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES FIRST-HAND, AND HONE THEIR COMMUNICATION SKILLS WITH A DIVERSE POPULATION.

OTHER INFORMATION:

- ALL MAJORS ARE ACCEPTED.

- HOURS ARE VARIABLE, USUALLY, DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, WITH TWO EVENING CANVASSES SCHEDULED. HOWEVER, A MINIMUM OF 6 HOURS/WEEK IS EXPECTED.
- THE INTERNSHIP IS UNPAID BUT WE WILL WORK WITH STUDENTS WHO ARE SEEKING COLLEGE CREDIT.

TO APPLY: PLEASE SEND A COVER LETTER, YOUR RESUME, AN ALLEN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER INTERNSHIP APPLICATION FORM AND A BACKGROUND CHECK CONSENT FORM TO ALLEN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER. ALL QUESTIONS AND APPLICATION PACKETS SHOULD BE SENT TO ALLEN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER'S VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR.

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