The Food Trust
Greater Philadelphia area, Pennsylvania

Mission Statement: The Food Trust's mission is to ensure that everyone has access to affordable, nutritious food and information to make healthy decisions. Working with neighborhoods, schools, grocers, farmers and policymakers, we've developed a comprehensive approach to improved food access that combines nutrition education and greater availability of affordable, healthy food.

Internship Title: Community Outreach and Education Intern

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Duties/Project Description:
The Food Trust (TFT) summer Community Outreach and Education Intern will serve as summer program support for the Campbell’s Healthy Community Initiative in Camden, NJ as well as the Philadelphia Farmers Market Initiative. The TFT summer intern will be expected to fulfill the following duties while serving on both initiatives:

- Successfully implement and execute nutrition education/ youth leadership programming in Campbell’s designated summer worksite (e.g. summer programming done at a school/ non-profit partner site)
- Support NJ Food Access Coordinator in corner store development in Camden, NJ through providing store trainings on economic development, providing technical support, and implementing marketing in NJ Healthy Corner Store Network
- Support Philadelphia Farmers Market team in the implementation of nutrition education and allocation of food bucks
- Perform small administrative tasks to help successfully plan and execute summer internship initiatives in a variety of programs

Qualifications:
The ideal candidate will have the following personal characteristics:

- Unquestioned integrity
- Personal stature
- A passion for excellence
- A high energy level
- A sense of urgency
- Excellent listening skills
- Persuasive communications skills
- An entrepreneurial spirit

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- A sense of humor
- An open mind
- A candid manner
- A commitment to The Food Trust’s mission
- Ability to work independently
- Ability to multi task
- A sense of Curiosity
- Fluency in Spanish Language preferred
- Works well with the youth population
- Must pass an FBI child abuse clearance
- Currently enrolled undergraduate student interested in nutrition and community health

Orientation Plan:
The week of June 8th interns will have a two-day interactive orientation where they will learn about the role The Food Trust plays in the Campbell’s Healthy Communities Initiative. During this time interns will have morning in-office trainings and afternoon field trainings. Intern’s safety and comfort in Camden, NJ is at the utmost importance of the program, therefore an extensive orientation in Camden will be conducted to ensure these need are met. There will also be a one-day farmers market training where the intern will learn more about the Farmers Market Program and its nutrition education needs.

Supervision/Mentor Schedule:
The intern will hold bi weekly check-ins with their internship supervisor. One check in will be held on a Monday morning at The Food Trust offices. At the Monday check in the intern will be assigned tasks and goals for the week. The project intern will then be encouraged to ask for any help they may need in ensuring success in accomplishing their tasks. Interns will then have an end of week de brief session with their supervisor to reflect on the past week and to understand both obstacles and accomplishments.

Non-English language requirement?
Conversational Spanish fluency is preferred

Working Conditions:
The community outreach and education intern will be exposed to a variety of working conditions as they will help to serve program development in the city of Camden, NJ as well as at Farmers Markets in the Philadelphia region. In Camden, NJ interns will be exposed to project/ school/ corner store sites in low income neighborhoods. It is for this reason it is strongly preferred that interns have access to a car as public transportation may become difficult on days when interns have frequent site visits. All travel expenses will be reimbursed based on mode of transportation. When interns aid the Philadelphia farmers market program, they will be sent to one of our sites around the Philadelphia region where interns will aid in nutrition education.

Preparation:
It is strongly encouraged for interns to acquaint themselves with The Food Trust website (thefoodtrust.org) as it contains information on programs such as the healthy corner store initiative, nutrition education, youth leadership, and farmers markets.

Is the organizational accessible via public transportation? Yes

Does the internship require use of personal vehicle? No, but strongly encouraged

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