



Merrick House is a community-based organization dedicated to empowering individuals and families through education, social services, and community engagement. Our mission is to create a supportive environment where everyone can thrive, and our vision is to build a stronger, more connected community.

Job Description: As a volunteer or intern at Merrick House Summer Camp, you will play a crucial role in ensuring the smooth operation of the camp and the well-being of campers aged 6-13 years old. The summer camp curriculum will already be in place, so your focus will be on executing and supporting daily activities and tasks.

Daily Duties and Tasks:

- **Supervising Campers:** Your primary responsibility will be to ensure the safety and well-being of campers during all activities and transitions. This includes monitoring campers during playtime, meal times, and field trips, and addressing any issues that arise promptly and effectively.
- **Activity Facilitation:** You will lead and assist with a variety of educational and recreational activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, and field trips. Your enthusiasm and creativity will help make these activities engaging and enjoyable for the campers.
- **Mentorship:** Providing guidance and support to campers is a key part of your role. You will foster a positive and inclusive camp environment, encouraging campers to participate fully and helping them build confidence and social skills.
- **Administrative Tasks:** You will assist with essential administrative tasks, including attendance tracking, supply management, and other logistical support. This ensures that camp operations run smoothly and efficiently.

Requirements/Desired Skill Set:

- **Strong Communication and Interpersonal Skills:** You should be able to communicate effectively with campers, staff, and parents, and build positive relationships with everyone involved in the camp.
- **Ability to Work Collaboratively in a Team Environment:** Teamwork is essential at Merrick House. You will work closely with other volunteers, interns, and staff to ensure a cohesive and supportive camp experience.
- **Experience Working with Youth:** While not mandatory, previous experience working with children is a plus. Your ability to connect with and understand the needs of young campers will enhance their camp experience.
- **Organizational and Time Management Skills:** You should be well-organized and able to manage multiple tasks simultaneously. This includes keeping track of schedules, supplies, and camper needs.



Who is Eligible:

- College students or recent graduates
- Individuals passionate about community service and youth development

Compensation:

- This is an unpaid internship/volunteer opportunity. However, participants will gain valuable experience and professional development.

Internship Timeframe:

- The camp is June 16, 2025 - July 25, 2025 Monday - Friday from 8:30am - 4:30pm.

Instructions on How to Apply:

- Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter to LozellS@merrickhouse.org. Or apply online at www.merrickhouse.org

Application Deadline:

- Application deadline is May 9, 2025.

Contact Information:

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Additional Information:

- **Training and Support:** You will receive training and ongoing support from Merrick House staff to ensure you are well-prepared for your role.
- **Professional Development:** This internship/volunteer opportunity offers valuable experience and professional development, including networking with community leaders and participating in workshops.