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*St. Clair Superior Development Corporation's mission is to guide
neighborhood transformation for residents and businesses in our community.*

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Dear Mr. Ziol,

Thanks for your interest in the internships with St. Clair Superior MyCom. We are requesting interns to help coordinate our upcoming Teen Center summer jobs program. Interns may be undergraduates or graduates. A nominal stipend is negotiable. The job position will be held through the summer of 2018 June 1 – August 3rd. Interns will work an average of 15 hours per week. Interns will be chosen not solely based on experience, but work ethic, ability to work with different demographics and age groups, and willingness to serve the best interest of the young people of the inner city.

St. Clair Superior Development Corporation's (SCSDC) role in community development began over 30 years ago with the founding of two community-based organizations – the St. Clair Business Association and the St. Clair Superior Coalition. In 1999 these two community organizations merged to better service the same constituents with more coordination, united resources and for greater community impact.

SCSDC's mission is to unite people, expand opportunity and build livable places. The SCSDC service area includes St. Clair Superior and Goodrich-Kirtland Park statistical planning areas plus the entire Cleveland 10th Ward. While this area is home to many strengths such as a diverse population, a stable industrial corridor and a growing arts scene, the area also faces challenges; among them are an aging housing stock, crime and the perception thereof, and poverty (According to the 2010 census, 82% of the residents in the St. Clair Superior service area are of low/moderate incomes).

Current SCSDC Programs – Youth Development and Organizing, Arts and Culture, Planning and Real Estate Development, Sustainability Programs, Housing Services, and Business Development - are performing well and seed the way for the evolution of programs and activities designed to drive economic development and address each of the issues above.

Please find the intern description following. We are searching for 1 or 2 interns. Please send cover letter and resume to:

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Sincerely,

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Youth Development Manager.



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Teen Cooperative Enterprise for Economic & Youth Development

A New Approach to Community Development

St. Clair Superior Development Corporation is seeking energized undergraduate and graduate interns to coordinate a resident leadership program for teenagers in the summer of 2018.

The Cooperative:

In 2013 the teens of the St. Clair Superior, started a grassroots Teen Center at St. Philip Neri Center on E. 82nd Street and St. Clair. They have organized themselves into cooperative working groups, painting community murals, tending a community garden, learning graphic design and digital communication in the computer lab, registering community members to vote and much more. These cooperative enterprises empower teen place-making initiatives in the community and prepares the young people for their own school and career paths. The mission of the Teen Center is to collaborate with teens in our neighborhood and give them the resources needed to become future leaders. Our cooperative community development model gives the young people the autonomy to shape the future of their teen center and their own paid job positions.

All intern efforts will be in support of the teen summer jobs program, our greatest impact on the neighborhood youth development landscape. During the summer the youth leaders are hired through Youth Opportunities Unlimited to take their programming to the next level. Between June 18 and July 28 the kids work 20-25 hours a week initiating development in their community.

Intern Expectations:

Undergraduate and graduate interns will be expected to work June 1 – August 3 for an average of 15 hours per week. Nominal stipend is negotiable. Schedule and time off is negotiable. We need urban planning students interested in hands-on, street-level experience in community development. Responsibilities include planning project implementation, supervising youth employees and volunteers, mentoring and helping with HR tasks. Successful candidates will be excited to work with the diverse membership of our Cleveland cooperative. Experience working with youth is a plus, but is not mandatory. We invite interns to bring their passions and hard skills to share.

Experience in these topics run parallel with our programming:

- Art: especially public art processes like mural painting
- Computers design: especially SketchUp, basic graphic design
- Community gardening: especially urban agriculture and garden to plate philosophy
- Culinary arts: especially kitchen management, business planning, and using local produce
- Community Development: event planning, voter registration, meeting facilitation
- Construction and engineering: especially hands on woodshop experience and electrical work

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