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Thanks for your interest in the internships with St. Clair Superior MyCom. We are requesting interns to help coordinate two ongoing youth development initiatives: MyCom Core Committee Coordinator(s) and Teen Center on St. Clair Coordinator(s). Interns may be undergraduates or graduates. At this time, the internships are unpaid but will offer invaluable work experience, networking opportunities, and job references for the future. 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 guide neighborhood transformation for residents and businesses in our community. 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 two project descriptions below. We are requesting 1 or 2 coordinators for each project. Please send cover letter and resume to:

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the Teen Center on St. Clair Coordinator

Program Info:

In 2013 the teens of the MyCom program, started the Teen Center at St. Philip Neri Center on E. 82nd Street and St. Clair. Ever since they have organized their own afterschool and summer programming. An annual summer youth festival, community murals, a skateboard crew, and a community garden are just a few accomplishments.

The Mission of the Teen Center is to collaborate with teens in our neighborhood and give them the resources needed to become future leaders.

All intern efforts will be in support the teens' own organizing ventures. The Teen Center meets once a week, after school to plan activities, tend their community garden, cook a healthy snack, host other youth groups and community agencies, and provide a safe and engaging space for all teens in St. Clair Superior and beyond. Because of the nature of this youth-adult partnership there is a number of responsibilities that MyCom coordinators must take up to support the youth organizing efforts when the young people are in school. While the youth leaders steer the ship of the Teen Center, the adult support play huge roles to help with navigation and coordination to make these youth visions a reality.

Past and Ongoing Projects include:

- Art, especially public art like mural painting
- Skateboarding, basics, culture, safety, localism
- Community gardening, urban agriculture, local-ivore, fresh food movement
- Cooking, especially using local produce, soul food/local-ivore fusion
- Community Development, event planning, and Urban Planning using SketchUp architecture modeling
- Word Press, Photoshop, social media, video blogging and Multi Media journalism
- Life skills including sexual education, financial literacy, public speaking
- Civic Education and Youth Advocacy, annual field trip to the Statehouse in Columbus.

Responsibilities:

Planning and coordinating youth-centric enrichment programs side by side with our teen leaders

Connecting with community partner agencies to align resources

Recruit and mentor youth leaders in our near east

neighborhood Maintaining a Teen Center calendar

Communicating with teens and their families

Creating curriculum with the youth leaders from hands on projects

Qualifications:

Patience and flexibility, critical listening skills

Interest in education and or community organizing

Ability to be a positive role model

Unafraid of failure