



Youth Leadership Program 2019 Student Application

The North Carolina Community Development Initiative (the Initiative) invites applicants who are rising high school seniors to participate in its 2019 Youth Leadership Program. Available to students throughout the state, this program introduces students to the nonprofit sector and careers related to leadership and community economic development.

Each student will attend and participate in two Leadership forums as well as complete an assigned special project over a period of three weeks. This year there are 24 available slots for the program.

This three-week, paid summer leadership development program includes:

- a meaningful project experience related to the nonprofit sector and/or philanthropy
- leadership training and development sessions via Youth Leadership Academy in Raleigh area
- site visits and field trips to select businesses, academic institutions and other industry locations
- informal social activities during Youth Leadership Academy

About the Initiative

Founded in 1993, the N.C. Community Development Initiative drives innovation, investment and action to create prosperous, sustainable communities. The Initiative builds partnerships, leverages and invests resources, and creates a system of support for social enterprises who advance community economic development strategies. These strategies include affordable housing, job creation, and asset preservation. The Initiative and its certified CDFI lending subsidiary, Initiative Capital, support local and regional community economic development with financial investments, innovation, and leadership development. The Youth Leadership Program is just one element of the Initiative's overall focus on supporting talent and fostering success in the state's low-wealth communities.

Benefits of the Program

- **Valuable Experience & Career Insight**
Offers students the opportunity to gain real-world perspectives and valuable insight into the nonprofit sector. This experience will help students be competitive when pursuing future opportunities, including applying for college or future employment.
- **Leadership Development**
Features engaging leadership development training specifically targeted for high school students. Participants are armed with tools to succeed as leaders and provided mentorship to maximize their experience with an aim for students to be better prepared to take on upcoming challenges.

Schedule

The 2019 Youth Leadership Program will take place from **June 27 through July 20**. For the duration of the program, participants are expected to defer family vacations, extra-curricular activities and other jobs during the required Leadership forums.

Stipend and Expenses

A stipend of \$750 is awarded to participants over the three-week summer program. Students are responsible for expenses associated with transportation to and from the leadership sessions held in Raleigh, NC. Interns will need a chaperone for both overnight sessions held in Raleigh. Lodging and meal expenses for the overnight stays are paid by the Initiative.

Session One: Thursday, June 27, 2019 – Friday, June 28, 2019

Session Two: Thursday, July 18, 2019 – Saturday, July 20, 2019

Selection Process

Applicant must be:

- A rising high school senior in the 2019-2020 academic year in good standing (no minimum GPA required)
- A legal North Carolina resident
- At least sixteen years old

Selection is based on students:

- Overall Application
- Community and/or School Involvement

Review Process and Notification

Upon receipt of application materials, an acknowledgement email will be sent to the applicant. Selected applicants will be notified by **May 11, 2019**. All applicants will be notified of the Initiative's decision to select or decline an application.

Key Dates to Remember

- Deadline to Apply: April 8, 2019
- Notification of Selection: May 11, 2019
- Deadline to Confirm/Deny Internship: May 16, 2019
- Program Dates: June 27 - July 20, 2019

Need More Information?

The NC Community Development Initiative thanks you for your interest in this opportunity. You may visit our website at www.ncinitiative.org/youth for more details. For any questions or concerns, please reach out to Barron Damon, Program Facilitator at (919) 756-5106 or by email at grants@ncinitiative.org.



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STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name		Last Name		Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Address					
<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>		<i>Zip Code</i>	
<i>County</i>					
Home Phone		Cell Phone		E-mail Address	
School Name		Expected Graduation Date	Current GPA	I will be a rising high school senior on or before June 15, 2019. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Ethnicity			How did you hear about the Youth Leadership Program?		
<input type="checkbox"/> African-American <input type="checkbox"/> Cuban <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> Guamanian <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Chicano <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Other please specify _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Polynesian			<input type="checkbox"/> School/Guidance Counselor <input type="checkbox"/> Friend <input type="checkbox"/> Church <input type="checkbox"/> Flyer/Posted Advertisement <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Website <input type="checkbox"/> Family Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other please specify _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Previous Intern		
			Do you speak a language other than English?		
			French <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Fluent Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Fluent German <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Fluent Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Fluent		

PARENT /LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION

First Name		Last Name		Relationship to Student	
Mailing Address					
<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>		<i>Zip Code</i>	
<i>County</i>					
Home Phone		Cell Phone		E-mail Address	

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERISM

Please list your involvement in any community service and volunteer activities.

Community Service or Volunteer Activity	Name of Organization Event	Hours Per Week	Grade(s) Participated
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Be as specific and complete as possible in answering the following questions. Please complete all areas in type or print legibly. Remember, incomplete applications may not be considered. **If necessary, please use a separate page and attach to application.**

1. What do you hope to gain from the Summer Youth Leadership Program? How do you think the Youth Leadership Program will help you to achieve your future goals?

2. What would you consider to be your strengths and weaknesses?

3. Tell us about an obstacle you have faced. What steps did you take or are currently taking to overcome it (i.e. personal hardships, financial, educational, health, etc.)?



INTERNSHIP AGREEMENT

I hereby certify that the facts contained in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student (please print)

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian (please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Online (**PREFERRED METHOD**):

- Please fill out and submit the application:
http://ncinitiative.formstack.com/forms/2019_student_application_vlp

OR

By Mail:

- Please mail completed application to the mailing address below:

Mailing Address:

NC Community Development Initiative, Inc.
Attn: 2019 Youth Leadership Program P.O. Box 98148
Raleigh, NC 27624