



ADDED VALUE

Job Announcement: Summer Program Intern **Applications due March 19th 9am**

About Added Value

Added Value is a non-profit organization promoting the sustainable development of Red Hook by nurturing a new generation of young leaders. We work towards this goal by creating opportunities for the youth of South Brooklyn to expand their knowledge base, develop new skills and positively engage with their community through the operation of a socially responsible urban farming enterprise.

About Our Summer Youth Program

Youth begin their experience with Added Value in the seven-week Summer Youth Program, during which participants work each day on our 2.5-acre urban Farm and in the community. Working under the supervision of our staff, interns and senior youth leaders, new participants develop a strong sense of self and community while learning the skills necessary to grow food from seed to sale. Additionally, youth participants are introduced to the social context of our work, the food system, issues of community wellness, and social justice.

Job Description

The Summer Program Intern will join Added Value staff, Senior Youth Leaders, and fellow Interns in facilitating our Summer Youth Program. In this program, approximately 25 Brooklyn teens are employed to grow food from seed to sale, and are introduced to urban agriculture and the intersections of food, health, and social justice. The Summer Program Intern will take part in the preparation, implementation, and evaluation of daily programming—leading teens in farm work and community-building activities.

The Summer Program Intern will have the opportunity to develop skills in urban agriculture, teamwork, facilitation and leadership, and will be encouraged to pursue additional individual learning goals while working within a supportive, energetic community. Interns will also be encouraged to share their individual skills, knowledge, and perspectives with youth participants through specific projects or trainings.

The internship is an intensive two-month commitment, from June 20th through August 21st, 2007. This is a fulltime position. Compensation will be between \$500-1000 based on experience. Added Value will also gladly help students receive school credit for this position. Please send resume and cover letter to Caroline Loomis, Community Education Coordinator by email (cloomis@added-value.org) or to 305 Van Brunt Street, Brooklyn NY 11231

Responsibilities will include:

- Work directly with Youth Participants on the Farm by facilitating farm work and community-building activities (in partnership with Added Value Staff, Senior Youth Leaders, and other Interns)
- Motivate, encourage, and support 25 youth participants in what may be their first work experience
- Bring positive energy to the work
- Participate in day-to-day planning and evaluation
- Setup and cleanup of materials and site
- Dependable attendance

Minimum Qualifications

- Experience working with youth
- Interest in, and willingness to learn about, farming and food justice
- Strong communication skills
- Bi-lingual (Spanish) preferred
- Self-motivated and able to work within a fluid environment

In recognition of the strength of poly-cultural environment and in service of our mission Added Value will support the growth and development of all employees and prospective employees, youth participants and our broader community without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or any other basis prohibited by applicable law.