



Position:

Smart Lunch, Smart Kid Program 2017 Summer Internship

Overview:

Action Ministries' child nutrition initiative Smart Lunch, Smart Kid brings nutritious meals and educational enrichment to the community's children in need during the summer months and school breaks. Our life-changing program blends faith-based and other nonprofit organizations, community philanthropists, foundations, and local corporate friends into an action-based team working together to feed hungry children while also enriching their minds.

In 2016, Smart Lunch, Smart Kid served more than 30,000 meals to approximately 500 children in Athens. We look to continue expanding the number of at-risk children our program reaches by growing community partnerships to increase volunteerism, and offering a well-planned enrichment program to the participants at each of our sites.

Purpose:

Through partnerships with The Clarke County School District's Nutrition Department and The Foodbank of Northeast Georgia's Food2Kids program, Action Ministries' staff and volunteers distribute over 400 lunches to children in nine under-served Athens communities. The intern will be responsible for assisting in registering children for Smart Lunch, Smart Kid, for recruiting volunteers for the eleven-week program, for enrichment curriculum development, and will play an active role in the day-to-day operations of the program by going to SLSK communities, distributing lunches and implementing enrichment, as well as managing volunteers.

The intern will assist in planning and implementing enrichment activities that focus on educational activities, physical activity, nutrition, the arts, and community service. The enrichment aspect of Smart Lunch, Smart Kid should encourage literacy, safety, good citizenship, movement, and healthy food choices.

Locations:

*Action Ministries Office:

465 North Lumpkin Street Athens, GA 30605

*SLSK Summer Headquarters:

Milledge Ave. Baptist Church, 1690 S. Milledge Ave., Athens, GA 30605



*Nine SLSK lunch sites (Athens Gardens, Clarke Gardens, Pinewoods Apartments, Hallmark MHC, Sleepy Hollow MHC, Fourth Street Village, Kathwood Homes, Highland Oaks Duplexes, Tallassee Club Villas)

Responsibilities:

- Travel to one to three SLSK communities each day during the summer program to distribute lunches, implement enrichment, and manage volunteers
- Assist in planning and implementation of daily enrichment activities, manage and organize recreational equipment
- Recruit and manage volunteers
- Conduct project analysis through keeping a daily activity log
- Participate in planning/supervision meetings with staff and other interns

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience working with at-risk population groups
- Ability to communicate effectively with and manage volunteers
- Sensitivity to people of various faiths, backgrounds and cultures
- Creative and energetic
- Desire to work with children

Travel:

Travel is required to SLSK sites. (Travel to two to three sites per day is typical).

Background Check:

A background check is required in order to be eligible for this position.

Dates/Hours:

May 29th-August 4th , Monday-Friday from 10:00am-2:00 pm. (Hours can be somewhat flexible with the hours between 11am-1pm Monday-Friday required). Please discuss scheduling with your direct site supervisor. There will be a mandatory training, date TBD. The intern will work under the supervision of Action Ministries' Hunger Relief Coordinator.