



Green Jobs Youth Development Internship Application Fall 2019

APPLICATIONS ARE **DUE BY Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 5PM**

Solar Youth's Green Jobs Youth Development Internship will provide up to **12** youth living in Westville Manor and the nearby Elm City Communities the opportunity to explore careers related to service and the environment from September 16 – December 6. This paid internship includes opportunities in ecology and natural history, ecotourism, sustainability, and community change while learning valuable personal and professional skills.

For ages 14 to 18 (All applicants **MUST** be in high school)

Applicant information:

Name _____ Age _____ Birthday ____/____/____

Home Address _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Current School _____ Grade _____ E-mail _____

Please remember – there are no right or wrong answers to these questions! We are simply interested in who you are, so tell us about yourself. If you have any trouble with the application, do not give up on applying! Talk to us first. Stop by the Solar Youth office (53 Wayfarer St) and ask for Michael Sellers or Nicole Dunnaville or call to set up an appointment with us (203.387.4189).

DON'T WAIT! Submit this application as soon as you're done.

PART ONE

Answer the following questions, making sure all parts of multi-part questions are answered.

1) Besides earning money, why are you interested in the Green Jobs Youth Development?

2) What positive qualities would you bring to the Solar Youth Green Jobs Team?

3) On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 meaning totally independent, 3 meaning it depends, and 5 meaning as a team, how would you describe your work preference? Please explain why you gave yourself that number.

4) Describe an actual situation when you chose to do the 'right thing'.

5) Tell us about a time you had to work outdoors. What were the challenges? What did you like? Dislike?

6) Name one person in the world (past or present) whom you think is an 'important leader'. Why did you pick this person?

7) Do you want to be a leader? Why or why not?

8) Are you willing and able to commit to this 12 week program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9) Are you willing and able to work 15-18 hours a week? ☐ Yes ☐ No

10) Are you willing to get dirty and sometimes work in the rain? ☐ Yes ☐ No

11) What concerns do you have about the program?

12) Can you and a guardian attend a mandatory orientation on September 9, 2019 at 5pm?

☐ Yes ☐ No

PART TWO

Task: Look through a newspaper or on the internet and find either:

- a new article about jobs
- a recent job announcement

Attach it to this application. (If you use an internet article or job posting, just write the link to the website where you found it.) In the space below, write a statement about why you chose this a) article or b) job announcement.

PART THREE

Reference: Please attach your reference form to this application if possible. The reference may mail, fax, or email the form if needed [see reference page]. **Note: references from family members will not be accepted.** If you cannot find a reference, call us for help.

PART FOUR

Parent / Guardian Signature: Please have a parent or guardian sign this application stating that s/he supports your application for this internship.

NAME: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

If you have any questions, or need help filling this out, please ask Michael [michael@solaryouth.org] or Nicole [nicole@solaryouth.org].

DON'T WAIT! SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION AS SOON AS YOU'RE DONE.
ALL PARTS OF THE APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT.

Please Return NO LATER THAN 5PM, Wednesday, September 4, 2019 to:
Michael Sellers * 53 Wayfarer Street * New Haven, CT 06515 * (203) 387-4189

This application is also available to be completed online at www.solaryouth.org



Solar Youth Internship Program

Program Reference Form

Return to: Michael Sellers

Email: Michael@solaryouth.org

Mail: 53 Wayfarer Street, New Haven, CT 06515 or Fax: 203-859-5312

Please submit by Wednesday, September 4, 2019

Attention Applicant: Please print your full name

Applicant Name: _____

Attention Reference:

The person named above is applying for an internship position with Solar Youth, Inc. If hired, s/he will be a community steward where s/he will learn about the environment, landscaping, job skills, community organizing, and problem solving skills, in partnership with an adult staff. *Please, honestly assess the applicant's abilities and limitations and return by Thursday, Sept 5, 2019.* You may submit this reference sheet by email for your convenience. **You cannot be a family member of the applicant!**

Reference printed name: _____

Reference phone number: _____

Reference E-mail: _____

Reference Profession/Title: _____

1. In what capacity have you known this applicant: _____

For how long: _____ How well do you feel you know him/her: _____

For questions 2-5, please circle the most appropriate rating, with 1=lowest, 5=highest, NA=not able to assess

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| 2. How well does the applicant accept responsibility? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| 3. How well does the applicant work with diverse groups? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| 4. Does the applicant have good oral communication skills? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |
| 5. Does the applicant demonstrate patience in difficult situations? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NA |

6. Please describe what you consider to be the applicant's major strong points and limitations.

7. Please use this space to include anything else about the applicant that may help in determining her/his qualifications (i.e. leadership abilities)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

May we contact you if we need additional information on the applicant?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Thank you very much for your input!