Brentwood Neighborhood Work Crew

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What is this Program?

■This is an employment training program that provides paid work experiences for underprivileged youth in the underserved Brentwood Neighborhood.



Program Components

Skill Building Workshops

- Job Search
- Work Ethics
- How to complete Job applications
- Resume Building
- Financial Literacy
- Horticultural Education
- Mock Interviews Job Placement

Employability Skills Certificate

In partnership with MMSD, students are dual enrolled in the Wisconsin Employability Skills Certificate Program. A review system will be used to collet data and a performance review will be completed by work mentors quarterly. After a student has worked for 90 hours total they can receive their Employability Skills Certificate.

Case Management Services

Youth are provided family support services through our partnership with Briarpatch. Briarpatch provides wrap-around support services to youth and families. Briarpatch has a history of serving youth with significant barriers to employment, while concurrently providing supportive services to their families, this opens the door to employment opportunities for youth who might otherwise not be considered for employment.

Work Experience Opportunity

Job Placement Process

- Youth will participate in our interview process that includes;
- Submitting a Student Interest Survey
- ☐ Submitting a Job application
- □ Attend a joint panel interview conducted by three agencies
- ☐ Youth are provided the opportunity to interview for up to 5 different jobs at one time

DSS Community Center

DSS provides youth an opportunity to work at our Brentwood Neighborhood Garden site for 8 weeks during the summer months, 20 hours a week at \$9 an hour. This job opportunity provides youth with horticultural and nutrition education as well as community outreach skills.



Work Experience Opportunities Cont.

Briarpatch

- Food Cart Internship: In collaboration with Madison Food Carts we are recruiting youth, ages 16-18, who want to learn employment and small business skills in a fun and unique summer internship program on a local food cart for 8 weeks.
- Farm and Garden Program: As a member of a team, youth will work to plant, tend, harvest and maintain a large-scale vegetable garden. Youth will also re-build paths and undertake other farm or garden building projects for 8 weeks during the summer months, 27 hrs a week.

Common Wealth Dev.

■ Wanda Fullmore Internship: This is a unique opportunity for Madison youth to get involved with local government, and gain training and employment. Provides youth facing barriers to employment with high quality youth employment opportunities. 8 week internship program 20 hours a week.

Partnerships

- In partnership with Briarpatch and Common Wealth Development we will conduct joint panel interviews, co-facilitate skill building workshops and implement a shared recruitment and intake process.
- In partnership with MMSD youth are dual enrolled in the Wisconsin Employability Skill Certificate Program.
- In partnership with UW Extension horticultural educators and lessons on food preparation and nutrition program activities are provided.