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Global Fellows Program

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Name of organization & website URL:

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Location of Organization:

- Country: Ghana
- Region: Ahansti Region
- Street Address: Adjacent National Youth Authority, Harper Road, Adum –Kumasi,
- City, Postal Code:

Description of organization (history, mission, focus): The idea of establishing BGCF came from the experiences of three local young women who had been working with youth organizations in Ghana. They each had shared backgrounds working to promote the socio-economic and educational development of women and youth in impoverished areas. We recognized that programs catered to those who were most vulnerable, women and youth, were seriously lacking in our communities. A common interest was realized to develop an organization that had a specific focus on women and youth, and to create projects that help people help themselves out of poverty. We understand that poverty is not just the lack of food and shelter, but also the loss of one's dignity and identity. We came together to establish a non-governmental organization to help fight poverty by harnessing the enormous potential, energy and creativity of women and youth in Ghana

We are currently working on two social enterprises the Ghana Bamboo Bike www.ghanabamboobikes.org Project which uses native bamboo to manufacture bamboo bikes for both the local and export markets. It is a commitment project of the Clinton Global Initiative University and a winner of the 2010 UNEP Seed Initiative Award.

The Kumasi Handmade Plastic Recycle Products a 2010 finalist of the Harvard University Women in Business also seeks to reduce the mountain of plastic waste scattered all over the city, turn this waste into opportunity and reduce poverty by upcycling these plastic thrash into eco friendly high fashionable products such as tote bags, laptop bags, wallets, rain coats, backpacks etc for the export markets.

Educational support programs ;distribution of shoes, school uniforms, books ,bag, ICT training etc.

How many interns can you accommodate?

Note: We recommend a minimum of two interns at each location 6 to 10

Please Answer the Following Questions for EACH Available Job:

1. Job Description: What will the student intern be doing? **Administrative work and community service**

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2. Is there any compensation associated with the internship? If so, how much? No

3. What helpful talents and/or skills should the student intern possess, if any, including major (business, engineering, etc.)? Regardless of your profession, skill or experience. All you need is the will to contribute to the lives of these communities. Ability to execute task.

4. What would a typical day be like? Report to the office a 9am, check and reply emails and perform administrative task, have meetings with the Executive director and planning on strategies, lunch, attend meetings, meet with the bamboo bike manufacturing team to advise them on their finishing.

- Meet with thrash pickers and designers of the plastic thrash to advise them on creative designs marketable in the US.
- Work actively together with local volunteer in the NGO to determine how best each child can get assistance-from the organization
- Write reports on the children's progress.
- Spend time in the afternoon to help the children with school studies
- Access the performance of the students through work assignments, etc
- Organize recreational games with students
- To offer education, sensitization, care and support for affected people etc
- Taking care of patients reporting for out-patient care or on admission etc

5. Any other special requirements?: Looking for interns who are committed to social entrepreneurship and its development.

What is your preference for dates? Our is date flexible
(Fellows are expected to spend 5 to 7 weeks working with an organization.)

What is appropriate attire for internship (office) and within your region? Business casual

Do you regularly have interns working with you? Yes

If there is a mandatory language requirement, what language and how fluent must the fellow be?
No language requirement

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What is the nearest airport (with airport code)? Kotoka International Airport and Kumasi Airport

What are housing options and costs? Approximately how much will this cost per week? 100\$
Where will students find housing?

Please provide an estimate of other costs/week that the interns will need to pay for themselves
(Example: Food, lodging, local transportation, etc)

- Food
- Lodging:
- Transportation (to and from airport, during the day)
- Other

ANS. Estimated cost for lodging, food and transportation will be \$90

What is the weather like between late June and early September? The weather is warm and humid. It does rain frequently in Ghana during the period between June and September. Be careful of sunburn. Tropical sun is extremely strong and can burn you very quickly. Always remember to wear sunglasses, sunscreen and a hat

What are some possible weekend excursions/activities for young people? Visiting various tourist attractions, going to the club, soccer matches, swimming.

A visit to Bonwire the famous historical town of Kente colorful clothes.

A visit to the Ashanti palace museum, Ntonso Adinkra village, Ahwiaa Craft village, Military museum, the national Cultural Center, the central market, Owabi bamboo forest, Bobbie forest and Lake Bosomtwe, One of the biggest and natural lakes in the world. Participants may spend a night at the luxurious hotel near the Lake (Kessben Hotel)

Any other helpful descriptions and comments: Looking for interns who are committed to social entrepreneurship and its development.