

## City Green High School Internship Summer 2010

### **About City Green:**

City Green, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to facilitating the establishment of urban community gardens in northern New Jersey's cities to enrich the lives of city residents, while cultivating education in public health, nutrition and the environment.

City Green's goals are to create green, urban communities; access to bountiful, fresh, organically grown produce; volunteer, work and leadership opportunities in the community; and welcoming, natural respites that are a focal point for sociability, community involvement and cultural expression.

City Green works on garden projects with schools, after school programs, community organizations and neighborhoods. We run many educational programs in these gardens such as Nutrition from the Garden, Literature in the Garden, Wildlife Gardening and basic plant and soil science programs.

### **Job Description:**

City Green high school intern responsibilities include assisting City Green staff with the implementation of our educational youth garden programs; including the "Nutrition in the Garden", "Environmental Justice", "Wildlife Gardeners" and "Literature in the Garden" programs. This involves working with children ages 6-12 years old in a garden setting. Interns will also be responsible for general garden maintenance at the Learning Garden, assist with development of and working the Green Market, and perform some community outreach tasks. Interns will engage in a youth development workshop each Monday afternoon, learning communication skills, leadership skills, and other life and academic skills.

### **Qualifications:**

- Ability to motivate youth and a desire to make a difference
- Ability and desire to work with children in diverse communities
- Excellent communication skills; written, verbal and listening; and excellent organizational skills
- Ability to work both collaboratively and independently
- Highly motivated, responsible and dedicated
- Must be able to work outside and perform gardening tasks, including weeding, planting, mulching and lifting some heavy items
- Ability to multi-task and overcome obstacles
- Enthusiasm and Willingness to learn and participate in various aspects of an urban gardening organization
- Preference for those with related work experience in education, the environment, horticulture, agriculture and/or youth programming

**Hours** are Mondays 9 am – 3pm ; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9 am – 12:30 pm, and Thursdays 9 am – 6pm (this longer day is the day we will have the Green Market). The Internship Program training is Monday June 28<sup>th</sup> – Thursday July 1<sup>st</sup>, and summer programming is from July 6<sup>th</sup> through August 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Dress Code:** Interns will be given City Green t-shirts. Please wear your t-shirt every day. No ripped clothing or inappropriate logos or pictures please. Please wear shorts and shirts that are not too revealing.

**Compensation:** Interns will receive a stipend of \$1,200.00 which will be distributed in equal payments bi-weekly.

A review of performance will be given twice over the course of the summer.