

## **Job Opening: YOUTH C.H.A.N.G.E. Program Leader**

Dutchtown South Community Corporation is seeking a Program Leader for YOUTH C.H.A.N.G.E. (Community Health and Neighborhood Growth Initiative), our 25th Ward Summer Youth Employment Program.

**Dutchtown South Community Corporation** preserves and promotes the neighborhoods and businesses of Greater Dutchtown. We strive to do this by developing high quality homes and providing leadership and education in order to create and sustain a thriving residential and business community.

**YOUTH C.H.A.N.G.E.** is a 10-week summer youth employment program for 12 residents of the 25th ward of St. Louis, ages 16-17. Youth will be involved in the development of two community gardens, the marketing and selling of their produce at two local corner stores, a community clean up project, an ongoing creative writing workshop, and a series of trainings including reproductive health and financial literacy. Each program component, with a few exceptions, will be facilitated by outside trainers.

### **Job Summary:**

The Program Leader will implement the 10-week curriculum of YOUTH C.H.A.N.G.E., functioning as the point-person for the overall program and assisting the outside trainers in the facilitation of each of the program components. The Program Leader will function as the supervisor of the 12 youth employees, helping the youth to make connections between each of the programming areas, assisting them in group decision-making processes, and supporting their leadership development and skills development throughout the 10-week program. As the supervisor of the youth employees, the Program Leader will be responsible for ensuring that the youth are fulfilling their contractual requirements to the employment program. The Program Leader will be in contact as needed with the families of the youth employees, and will report directly to the 25th Ward Liaison at Dutchtown South Community Corporation.

### **Qualifications and Preferred Prerequisites:**

- Must have experience working with youth, particularly high-school age youth.
- Experience with youth in the city of St. Louis is preferred but not required.
- Must have excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Must have excellent organizational and group facilitation skills.
- Must have demonstrated capacity to work with a diverse group.
- Program Leader will be required to work outside for several hours a day during the summer months. Applicant must be able to travel by foot, bike, or wheelchair throughout a 2 mile area.

This is a temporary position from June 7 through August 20. Program Leader will be paid on an hourly basis and will not receive additional benefits.

Please respond before March 20, 2010.

Resumes and cover letters may be emailed to [marjorie@dutchtownsouth.org](mailto:marjorie@dutchtownsouth.org), faxed to (314) 352-9806 or mailed to 4204 Virginia Ave., St. Louis MO 63111

Dutchtown South Community Corporation is an equal opportunity employer. Women, people of color, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply.