Position Title: Intern

Location: 8711 MacArthur Blvd. Oakland, CA 94605
Website: www.youthuprising.org

About Youth Uprising

In just a few years since it’s opening in 2005, Youth Uprising (YU) has gone from a barebones operation to a bustling, 25,000-square-foot, high-tech youth leadership development center.

YU serves Alameda County residents between the ages of 13 and 24 – primarily youth of color from low-income neighborhoods in East Oakland where the center is located. Through innovative, culturally relevant programming in the areas of Media and Performing Arts, Education and Career Development, Social Enterprise, Peace Making, and Health and Wellness, YU attracts an astounding and ever-expanding membership of over 4000 youth.

YU envisions community transformation driven by investments in youth and young adults that result in the personal, social and economic transformation of all residents.

The Opportunity

In joining YU’s staff, Interns will become part of a high-performing, warm, diverse team that includes people indigenous to the community, those who are deeply committed to social change, and youth within our target population who help to keep the organization attuned to the current realities of youth culture.

Youth UpRising seeks self-driven, results-oriented and collaborative Interns to support one or more of the following projects:

• Develop a curriculum that would help recently incarcerated youth set and achieve short- and long-term goals; design a program/curriculum based on best practice research of engagement strategies

• Develop a website/youth portal for discussing bullying and school violence

• Conduct best practice research of violence prevention strategies; identify funding opportunities for violence prevention work in East Oakland; track legislation related to violence prevention

• Collect, build out, and analyze our data related to crime; compile 2010 census data of the surrounding community; create demographic/neighborhood profiles

• Get accurate data on youth in the Alameda County Juvenile Justice system who have been diagnosed with mental illness (also looking at most prevalent diagnoses); Review and examine best practices and empirically-based models related to mental health and the justice system; Use research to inform and refine our service delivery

Successful candidates will have strong organizational and writing skills and will be able to work well with others at all levels of the organization. The context requires flexibility, a sense of humor and the ability to flourish in a fast-paced, deadline-driven environment. This position calls for someone whose passion for Youth UpRising’s vision is matched with excellent communication skills, strong attention to detail and a passion to utilize data to build organizational capacity.

How to Apply: Email resume and cover letter to jobs@youthuprising.org. Include “Intern – [Your Name]” in the subject line.