Summer 2018 Ossining Outreach Volunteer Project

Riverkeeper is seeking a qualified undergraduate junior or senior to assist the Advocacy and Engagement and Water Quality programs with local community outreach focused specifically in the Village of Ossining while also providing capacity for other projects. The intern will work closely with Riverkeeper’s program team of scientists, communications team, advocates, and lawyers. Interns will gain firsthand experience in grassroots environmental campaigns at an internationally recognized environmental non-profit. We seek an independent and motivated student with a commitment to environmental protection and an ability to handle diverse assignments. Strong research and writing skills and organized work habits are a must.

Commitment: Starting in early August with 10-15 hours/week  
Location: Ossining, New York  
Compensation: This is a non-compensated volunteer position

Project Duties:
- Work in the Riverkeeper office and develop an understanding of water quality data collected by OHS and Riverkeeper, and how Riverkeeper has used our water quality data for advocacy at the local, federal, and state levels
- Work with Water Quality and Advocacy and Engagement staff, as well as partners at Ossining High School, to outline a plan to educate local stakeholders about the water quality at Ossining Beach
- Research beach feasibility issues including, but not limited to, turbidity, water quality, permitting processes, and local regulatory frameworks
- Support development of materials such as fact sheets, talking points, promotional flyers, social media/e-mail/text message platform communications
- Support other water quality/outreach projects including but not limited to, outreach tabling at community events, drafting blogs, etc.

Qualifications
- Available on a regular basis during August
- Comfortable in an office setting working with computers, websites, online databases, and data sets
- Familiarity with Google software such as Google drive, sheets, and docs
- Resourceful, self starter, excellent problem solver
- Online research experience
- Enthusiasm for the Riverkeeper mission and initiatives
- Availability beyond regular office hours for occasional events on evenings and weekends

How to Apply
Rolling Deadline, but looking to fill position immediately. Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to: Robin Meadows, Chief Financial and Operating Officer via email at humanresources@riverkeeper.org. Please write “Summer 2018 Outreach Volunteer Application” in the subject line.

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