

2024 SummerMeals4NCKids Internship

Posting: TCK Providence, Inc. at Second Harvest Food Bank of NWNC

No Kid Hungry NC is a project based at the Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Its mission is to end child hunger in our state by increasing access to federally-supported child nutrition programs such as school breakfast, afterschool meals, and summer meals. Learn more about No Kid Hungry NC at NoKidHungryNC.org.

Nearly 70% of public school students in North Carolina are eligible for free and reduced-price school meals. During the summer months, many children lose access to these meals which may put them at higher risk of food insecurity and poor nutrition. Federal summer nutrition programs reimburse organizations for providing free, healthy meals to children and teens in low-income areas during the summer when they are not in school. These programs are highly underutilized compared with school meals programs.

No Kid Hungry NC will be offering the SummerMeals4NCKids Internship program for college students to support the Summer Nutrition Program during the summer of 2024. Interns will be hired as paid employees of No Kid Hungry NC at UNC Chapel Hill and will be placed with NC Summer Nutrition Program Sponsors. Most of the time will be focused on projects/activities with the sponsor, but interns will also participate in orientation/training, weekly check-ins, and activities with the No Kid Hungry NC team.

Position Overview

This position will work with TCK Providence, Inc. at Second Harvest Food Bank of NWNC. In conjunction with the NCDPI Summer Food Service Program our organization sponsors and manages meal sites. We provide healthy, balanced unitized meals and snacks to children during summer break. The summer intern will play an integral role in our summer program through assisting with SFSP meal preparation, meal site monitoring, meal distribution, as well as daily summer meal administrative tasks. Interns will work closely with the program staff and chefs to ensure that sites run smoothly and efficiently, that meals are prepared and delivered on time.

Primary work location: TCK Providence, Inc. at Second Harvest Food Bank of NWNC, 3330 Shorefair Drive, Winston-Salem, NC 27105. Frequent travel to local and rural site locations will be required.

Time Commitment

Orientation

Orientation is currently planned to take place the week of May 20, 2024. Information on specific dates/times will be shared with interns closer to orientation.

Internship schedule with sponsoring organization

Anticipated start and end dates: June 3, 2024 – August 16, 2024.

Anticipated weekly schedule: Monday-Friday, 6 hours per day.

Internship responsibilities with the No Kid Hungry NC team

In addition to participating in orientation, interns will complete a weekly report and participate in a weekly check-in meeting with the No Kid Hungry NC team. Interns will also be asked to share information and pictures on their internship experience with the No Kid Hungry NC team and write a blog post on their experience at the end of the internship.

Duties may include

- Complete the NC Summer Food Service certification and civil rights training
- Use Cartwheel to track meals distributed
- Maintain accurate SFSP records
- Monitor all Community Meals' sites
- Gather feedback from children and families in the program
- Help with training program volunteers/staff
- Assist administrative staff prepare and execute paperwork audits to ensure compliance with all USDA regulations
- Work in conjunction with the Community Meals kitchen staff to prepare and package meals in accordance with the SFSP guidelines
- Distribute summer meals
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications

The internship is open to college students. Students must have been at a community college, college, or university during the 2023-2024 academic year. Interns must be at least 18 years old.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Interest in child nutrition and improving food and nutrition security.
- Knowledge of and/or experience with school and/or summer nutrition programs
- Familiarity with the community where the internship is located
- Commitment to working with diverse communities
- Positive attitude and willingness to work on a variety of projects
- Dependability, responsibility, and adaptability
- Organizational skills
- Good interpersonal skills
- Computer literacy
- Ability to work both independently and part of a team
- Ability to follow program guidelines
- Reliable transportation to travel to local and rural sites where they will be working

Compensation/benefits

- Paid hourly rate of \$15/hour
- Reimbursement for mileage for travel for any necessary travel between work site and other locations, not including daily commute to worksite
- Training, professional development and networking opportunities
- Opportunity to gain new skills and experiences and learn more about child nutrition, food and nutrition security, summer nutrition programs and potential career paths related to those areas
- Part of a cohort with other college student interns