Nova Scotia Youth Corps
Summer Student Intern

Position Title: Community Environmental Leader
Number of Positions: 1
Location: Hantsport, Nova Scotia
Position Status: Temporary, 9 weeks [June 26 – August 25, 2017]
Hours: Full-time [35 hours per week]
Wage: Minimum $11.75/hour

Clean makes homes more energy efficient, restores streams & watersheds, engages youth on the environment, promotes green transportation, mitigates the effects of stormwater, helps communities reduce waste, and contributes to public policy discussions.

That's what we do. *Why* we do it is to help create a more sustainable society in Atlantic Canada. We work for a clean climate & clean water, and, to help us get there, we foster, educate and support clean leaders in our communities.

Clean is a non-profit, non-governmental environment organization created in 1988 through an Act of the Legislature in Nova Scotia. However, we receive no core government funding. We run the charity through money raised for our many programs and projects, which can come from agencies, businesses, government departments, foundations and individual citizens.

You may know us as Clean Nova Scotia, but we work on projects in other parts of Atlantic Canada, throughout the traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik. That's why we say we're just *Clean*.

We are currently seeking a hardworking, dynamic and motivated individual to add to our Nova Scotia Youth Corps (Youth Corps) team for summer 2017, who has a strong passion for people and the environment. Our approach is always collaborative and team oriented.

Program Overview:

In Nova Scotia, more than half of our young people leave the province after graduation. But what if they were given the skills and opportunities to join a vibrant green economy here at home?

The Youth Corps wants to inspire, develop and nurture an interest in jobs that support a future-looking economy and a sustainable environment. By tapping into a student's journey mid-way through school, our training and internship program offers new green options in career path decisions – while giving young minds the tools they need for future success.

The Youth Corps builds connections between youth and local organizations to stimulate stewardship for the natural environment and support the emergence of young community leaders. This is accomplished by providing students with training and employment opportunities through paid work placements with community-based organizations. And our Aboriginal Leadership Program builds on the Youth Corps to focus on the needs of First Nations youth while bringing traditional indigenous knowledge into the program. Our goal at Clean is to help build that foundation on which students can build their careers, and grow into the thoughtful, creative policy-makers and CEOs of tomorrow.

Position Overview:
The host for this Summer Student Intern position Youth Corps will be Glooscap First Nation. The successful candidate will be reporting to Amanda Francis, Native Employment Officer for Glooscap First Nation. In this position, you will be mainly responsible for engaging and teaching the community members about the importance of waste management, and sustainable living though research and delivery of information to be implemented into everyday life. This position requires the successful candidate to have good communication, computer/technological and leadership skills. The Community Environmental Leader will be required to work outdoors in fair to good weather conditions and in a classroom settings hosting information sessions and will need to be able to lift 25lbs.

About the Host:
Glooscap First Nations is a small but growing First Nation Community located outside of Hantsport, Nova Scotia. We like to keep our community members involved in the betterment of the place they call home.

Duties and Responsibilities:
- Prep, plant, and teach about food growing and maintenance of the Community Gardens;
- Test the community waters including the homes, lobster tank and community pool following up with any negative results and taking corrective actions;
- Research proper waste management and deliver information to the community homes;
- Working with the Day Camp staff to schedule weekly teaching to the day camp youth teaching important topics about the environment and how they can do their part in cleaning the earth through displays, games and community clean up days.

Requirements/Qualifications:
- Must be a Canadian citizen or legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Must be between the ages of 15 and 30;
- Must be a full-time student and intending to return to school in fall 2017;
- Is not a member of immediate family of host;
- Have an aptitude for safe work practices and the ability to multi-task in a busy work environment;
- Be able to work productively as part of a team while responding to feedback;
- Demonstrates interest in future employment in the environmental or 'green' sector is considered an asset.
- Research and reporting skills/experience are considered an advantage

To apply, fill out the online application here. After you click the 'submit' button, you will be directed to a page where you can upload your cover letter(s), resume, and letter of reference.

You can also access that page directly by <u>clicking here</u> – note that your reference can also submit their letter on your behalf directly through that page. Your application will not be considered until we have received all of your application materials.

The deadline to apply is midnight, May 24, 2017. We appreciate all interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Clean is committed to Employment Equity and our goal is to be a diverse workforce that is representative at all job levels. We welcome applicants from Aboriginal People, Visible Minority Groups, Persons with Disabilities and Women in occupations of positions where they are under-represented. If you are a member of one of the equity groups, you are encouraged to self-identify on either your cover letter or resume.