

Nova Scotia Youth Corps Summer Student Intern

Position Title:	Energize Bridgewater Summer Program Assistant
Number of Positions:	1
Location:	Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
Position Status:	Temporary, 9 weeks [June 26 – August 25, 2017]
Hours:	Full-time [35 hours per week]
Wage:	<u>Minimum</u> \$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:



Youth Corps

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 Intern position through Youth Corps will be the Town of Bridgewater, reporting to the Sustainability Planner in the Planning Department. Together with the Energize Bridgewater Summer Coordinator, you will help lead an exciting and game-changing community initiative to transform the local energy economy into a sustainable one. The Summer Intern will be based out of an office at Bridgewater Town Hall. In this role you will be helping to plan public events including a large Community Energy Fair, researching sustainable energy solutions for the community, interacting with members of the public, promoting the Town's energy programs, and assisting with communications to get more people thinking and engaged in sustainable energy practices. The successful candidate needs to have a strong interest in environmental education, a willingness to learn new skills, and the ability to work with team members and volunteers in a positive and collaborative way. As this position will involve a significant amount of interaction and outreach to the public, the candidate must be comfortable talking to community members and responding to enquiries.

A computer will be provided to the successful candidate for any work involving report writing, desktop publishing, or communication. Regular trips will be made from the office to meet with project partners and clients, and to attend meetings; transportation will be provided when necessary.

About the Host:

The Town of Bridgewater is the local government for the community of Bridgewater, located on Nova Scotia's beautiful South Shore. The Town regulates land use and provides essential services to residents and businesses including roads, water and waste water, policing, firefighting, waste management, and recreation services. Bridgewater's Municipal Climate Change Action Plan (MCCAP) describes the town's goal to become a climate resilient community. As a result, a number of exciting new community initiatives are being led both by the community as well as the local government. The Bridgewater Community Energy Initiative, a 2-year campaign that will engage Bridgewater residents and organizations in sustainable energy projects and plans, is set to launch in the spring of this year, and will help improve the entire community's relationship with the environment through concrete action on the topic of energy.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Communicate with members of the community, including residents, businesses, and organizations, to promote Town of Bridgewater energy initiatives, encourage engagement, and collect information;
- Research sustainable energy solutions for the community, and figure out ways to make them practical here;

- Assist with planning events including the Community Energy Fair (October 2017). May include developing educational materials and displays, contacting people to ask them to participate, and planning logistics for the event venue;
- Create educational and promotional materials for these projects, and post regularly to these projects' social media channels;
- Work under the direction of Planning Department staff and the project steering committees;
- All other duties as assigned.

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 community partner;
- 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;
- Must be able to work independently and manage his/her own time;
- Interest and experience in sustainable energy, environmental education, community outreach, and data collection are considered assets;
- Must be comfortable interacting with members of the public on a daily basis and handling enquiries and communications in a professional and competent manner;
- Must be available to work on weekends and evenings on occasion;
- Must be physically able to lift 50lbs, as position involves moving and altering display materials and equipment;
- Perform all job duties in a safe manner, abide by all safety training and regulations.

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 [clicking here](#) – 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.