Organization Name: Greening Youth Foundation

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Organization’s Mission Statement:
GYF (GYF) is a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit organization whose mission is to nurture enthusiastic and responsible environmental stewardship among underserved disconnected children, youth and young adults. GYF serves children, youth and young adults through the Public School and Boys & Girls Club on-site Environmental Education Initiative. GYF conducts numerous service projects and manages dozens of interns throughout the United States via our national Youth Conservation Corps. All programs are managed from our home office in Atlanta.

Summary of organization’s primary programs and services:
At schools that institute the complete Greening Youth program, young people mobilize through the Eco-Force Clubs, whose members become schoolwide environmental leaders, conducting comprehensive school energy audits and encouraging other students to recycle and act as stewards of the environment. Fusing technology, music, sports, literature and old-fashioned fun, the Greening Youth curriculum not only emphasizes the importance of respecting and protecting the
environment, but also engages students as active participants in their own education. Her work has already been recognized with several awards, including the Georgia PTA 2008-2009 Visionary Award and a finalist for the CoxConserves Heroes Award 2009.

In the 2008-2009 school year, Greening Youth operated a comprehensive environmental education program at schools in Atlanta and Gwinnett County, where a total of more than 5,000 students engaged in an impressive array of environmental and conservation projects. For instance, students at Cook Elementary School in Atlanta created their own environmentally-safe laundry detergent, called “Green Glop,” that they sold as a fundraiser for their school. Students at Brookwood Elementary School in Snellville, Georgia, reduced so much trash by recycling paper in every classroom and office that the school will be able to save significant money by slashing its trash pickup schedule.

**Intern’s title:**
Greening Youth Foundation Intern

**Number of interns requested by this organization?**
One

**Internship project/job description:**
Students will work alongside senior GYF management. They will help organize meetings, projects and events. GYF Interns will serve as the voice of the younger generation of environmental stewards. As GYF develops and implements programs and projects entailing service opportunities for youth participants, the GYF Intern will assure that a youth voice is involved. The duties of the Youth Programs Intern will include but not be limited to: Responding to outside inquiries. Representing and updating GYF’s information and presence on social media outlets as approved by GYF staff. Representing and disseminating GYF information at public events. Assisting with the coordination of schedules and logistics on GYF projects and programs-Earth Day Fun Festival, Annual Service Days, Youth Conservation Corps. Compiling spreadsheets and documents. Tracking and updating project activities and timelines. Scheduling meetings and appointments. Conducting periodic inventory and replenishing of office and field supplies.
Students will learn the importance of conservation and environmental stewardship. They will also develop leadership, organizational and project management skills. GYF Interns will also learn about the internal workings of a non-profit organization from fund raising to program implementation to transparent accountability.

**Qualifications:**
Applicants should be at least 18 years of age, computer literate, with some college-level credits, and have a driver’s license. Applicant should also be able to lift up to 25 pounds, and have an appreciation for promoting environmental causes. Organizational skills and good communication skills.

**Other Requirements:**
None

**Will the internship require that the student have a car?**
No

**Is placement site accessible by public transit or other transportation options?**
Yes, Emory routes #2, #3, and #6.