AmeriCorps Summer Internship

AmeriCorps Environmental Program is an exciting program which allows individuals, ages 17 to 28, to contribute to the restoration and preservation of Maui, Lanai, and Molokai’s natural resources. The 8 week summer program will run from June 10 – August 1, 2009. While playing this vital role in the community to protect our natural resources, participants will receive a living stipend and a $1,000 educational award. The program combines physical work while learning about Hawaii’s natural and cultural history. Members engage in projects in the most beautiful pristine places on these islands, from State parks and forests to the ocean coastal areas. Must be willing and able to camp overnight, hike, backpack, fly in helicopters and travel to outer islands.

Duties will include: Native Hawaiian plant restoration, invasive species removal, trail and remote fence building, ungulate control.

Closing date: April 20, 2009. For more information, contact Donna Borge, (808) 873-3101; e-mail: donna.borge@meoinc.org.

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Application follows below:
AmeriCorps Environmental Internship Program
Application Form

Answers must be typed or printed legibly in blue or black ink. Please answer all questions to the best of your ability in the space provided. Do not attach any information that is not requested. All applicants must turn in an application, resume, and one letters of recommendation (1) to:

MEO AmeriCorps Environmental Program
99 Mahalani Street Wailuku, Hawaii
96793 Phone: 808-873-3101/Fax: 808-873-3103 Contact: Donna Borge

1. Name:

2. Current Mailing Address: _______________________________________________
   City: _______________________ State: _______ Zip Code: _______________
   Current Daytime Telephone: _____________ Nighttime Telephone: _____________
   Email Address: __________________________
   Street Address (if different): ___________________________
   City: ___________________________
   State: _______ Zip Code: _______________
   Home Telephone: ________________ Birth date: ___/___/_____ Social Security Number
   Gender: Male Female Check the highest level of education that you will have completed by the time you are planning to serve in AmeriCorps. (Check one) __Some high school __ High school diploma or GED __Associate’s Degree __ Some College __Bachelor’s Degree __Other’s (please specify) ___________________________ Have you ever received an AmeriCorps educational award? Where? No ____, If so from ___________________________
The following are positions, internship sites. Please check off which internship you are applying for. If applying for more than one internship, please rank your choices, first choice being 1 (Interns must provide for their own transportation and housing):

Please check what position you are applying for

___ Full-time (Year around November – November)
Positions
___ Part-time (Year around November)
Positions
___ Quarter-time (12 weeks year around)
Positions

Maui Coastal Land Trust-Waihe`e
Haleakala National Park
Maui Invasive Species Committee – Makawao
East Maui Watershed Partnership

Hana
_____ Kipahulu National Park
_____ Maui Invasive Species Committee (MISC)

Molokai
_____ DLNR/DOFAW
_____ The Nature Conservancy
_____ USDA - Plant Material Center

Lanai
_____ DLNR/DOFAW

Please answer the following questions. If needed, you may attach additional pages.

1. Why are you applying for an internship in environmental conservation? What do you hope to gain as an intern?

2. What are some of your long-term and short-term goals?

3. What do you consider to be your greatest strengths? What things would you like to most improve about yourself?
4. What do you think is the biggest threat to Hawaii’s environment? How would you solve this problem?

5. What relevant experiences make you a strong candidate for this internship?

6. What types of ecosystems would you most like to work in? What environmental conservation issues would you most like to be involved with during your internship? Why would you be a good fit for this internship?

7. This program requires that you actively participate in rugged terrain, on/in the water, and/or in bad weather, with minimal or no facilities (bathrooms, etc.). How would you fair in such conditions? Would there be any problems with your complete participation in the program? If yes, please explain fully.

8. How (or from whom) did you learn about this opportunity?

I certify that all of the statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge. Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc. has my permission to inquire any information regarding my personal references.

Applicant’s signature: _________________________________ Date: _______________

*Note: Interns must be able to perform efficiently the physical and mental duties of their position. Qualified applicants with disabilities who can perform the essential functions of the internship position are encouraged to apply. Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc and The Corporation for National Services is committed to making reasonable accommodations on a case-by-case basis.

APPLICATIONS FORMS MUST BE IN OFFICE by April 20, 2009 for summer positions