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# **Internship Opportunities Available at DeKalb Workforce Deadline ends April 30, 2016 at midnight**

**DECATUR, Ga.** – The deadline for the DeKalb Workforce Development (DWD) summer internship program **ends Saturday, April 30, 2016 at midnight**. The short-term internship is for low-income young adults, ages 16-24, who are not enrolled in school and seeking employment This internship is funded through DeKalb Workforce Development via the U.S. Department of Labor's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, 2014 (WIOA).

In order to meet the WOIA income levels to qualify, a household of one must earn less than \$5,940 in the last six months or less than \$8,010 for a family of 2 in the last six months. The income limit for a family of 4 would have to be less than \$12,150 over six months.

Other eligibility requirements include documentation of citizenship (Social Security card), birth certificate, Georgia identification, DeKalb County residency (such as a utility bill), income verification and completion of high school or equivalency, such as a GED.

Barriers to eligibility include high school dropouts, homeless and runaways, among other conditions.

"This is one of many services that are available through the Workforce Development Department," said DWD Director, Sheryl Stone. "This specific program is geared for low-income young adults who are otherwise ready and qualified to work somewhere."

To be considered for an internship, applicants must:

- 1. Have a valid email address & contact number,
- 2. Submit an essay explaining why the Internship is desired and how it will benefit the applicant.
- 3. Apply for the internship online <u>Youth Services Program Internship</u>

**Registration ends April 30 at 5 p.m.** All Interns will have the opportunity to work up to sixteen (16) weeks, with a maximum of thirty-two (32) hours per week, at \$8 per hour. All inquiries will receive a response within five (5) business days from their application submission.

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For more information, contact DeKalb Workforce Development Youth Services Division at (404) 687-3428 or email <a href="http://dwdyouth@dekalbcountyga.gov">dwdyouth@dekalbcountyga.gov</a>.

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