



**Real Food Rising
Youth Crew Leader
Summer 2015**



**JUNE 15 – AUGUST 14, 2015
PAID STIPEND AVAILABLE**

WHO WE ARE:

Utahns Against Hunger (UAH) is a Salt Lake City-based non-profit organization whose mission is to create the political and public will to end Hunger in Utah. We accomplish our mission through advocacy, education and outreach. Real Food Rising (RFR) is UAH's youth development program that uses sustainable agriculture to transform the lives of young people and increase access to healthy food.

ABOUT THE POSITION:

Become an intern with Utahns Against Hunger's Real Food Rising program to learn about sustainable urban farming practices, youth development, and community service involvement in Utah. There are 3 Youth Crew Leader positions available for RFR's Summer Youth Program. Each Crew Leader leads a diverse group of 5-7 teenagers, working together with youth doing field work, providing mentorship and leading workshops and group activities throughout the summer. Work happens on RFR's 1.25 acre urban farm in Salt Lake, in soup kitchens and food pantries, on farm field trips and workshops. Crew leaders are responsible for the safety and well-being of their crew in all settings. RFR staff will provide a week long training before the program and will mentor Youth Crew Leaders throughout the summer.

WHAT WE SEEK:

We seek individuals with a strong desire to become fully invested in our work during their time with us. We are looking for enthusiastic, organized and motivated individuals with interest in the mission of Utahns Against Hunger and Real Food Rising. Ideal candidates possess enthusiasm for working with teenagers, a strong work ethic and a good sense of humor. We hold high expectations for our youth in order to foster their potential, and we require our Youth Crew Leaders to follow the same standards and act as strong role models. While Real Food Rising is committed to building a sustainable food system, we do not require candidates to be well versed in agriculture or the food production system. Show that you can bring energy and an open mind to the table and we will teach you the rest.

HOURS:

32 hours/week, Monday through Thursday; June 15-August 14th, 2015.

Hours subject to vary on occasion, but typical work hours are as follows:

MONDAY: 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

TUESDAY: 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM (*Hours vary; dependent on Hunger Relief Organization*)

WED/THURS: 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM

COMPENSATION:

Students can receive a paid stipend through UAH and academic internship credit through their academic institution. In addition, an education award may be available to select students through AmeriCorps.

REQUIRED SKILLS:

Applicants must have:

- an interest in community service, social justice, the environment, & multicultural team-building
- the ability to lead and motivate a group of people
- prior experience working with youth (experience working with teenagers is a plus)
- openness to new ideas and one's own personal growth
- High school diploma or GED

Applicants must be:

- energetic, dependable, organized, timely, genuine and trustworthy
- able to perform physical labor and work outside in varying weather conditions
- able to motivate a group of young people while fostering their potential
- able to uphold high standards set by the community

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

Utahns Against Hunger has established partnerships with the University of Utah, Westminster College, Utah Valley University and Salt Lake Community College to provide paid stipends and academic credit for this position. All current students over the age of 18, with a high school diploma or GED, are eligible to apply. Selected candidates must complete a background check and provide driving history record.

WHAT YOU CAN GAIN:

- Leadership and public speaking skills; youth mentorship experience
- Job experience in experiential education, environmental studies, public health & social justice
- Learn how to grow organic food & cook healthy, delicious meals with local chefs
- Learn about local food insecurity and experience working with local hunger relief organizations
- Access to organically-grown produce

COMMITMENT:

Youth Crew Leaders must be available Monday-Thursday from June 15 to August 14, 2015. This includes one week of training, 7 weeks of leading, one Friday of post-program evaluation and one week of field work with RFR staff after the program ends.

SUPERVISION:

This position is supervised by the Real Food Rising Youth Program Coordinator, Sara Crowder.

HOW TO APPLY:

Email Sara Crowder crowder@uah.org with your resume, and cover letter specifically outlining why you are interested and how you are qualified for the Youth Crew Leader position.

Cover letter guidelines are available on our website at: <http://www.uah.org/realfoodrising/get-involved/>
Submit your resume and cover letter by March 11th, 2015.

To learn more about the Real Food Rising program, go to: www.uah.org/realfoodrising.

Utahns Against Hunger is an Equal Opportunity Employer that is committed to creating a multicultural organization. We actively seek a diverse pool of candidates for this position, especially candidates of color. We encourage all qualified candidates to apply. We will not discriminate in our hiring on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, age, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or disability.