Fall 2024 Vote Your Voice Internship | Cobb Collaborative

Are you passionate about civic engagement and community involvement? *The Cobb Collaborative is seeking an energetic and vibrant high school intern for the Vote Your Voice program under our Civic Engagement initiative*. The intern, reporting to the Vote Your Voice Coordinator, will support Civic Engagement programming through civic involvement, organizing, and media engagement.

ABOUT THE COBB COLLABORATIVE & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT:
The Cobb Collaborative is proud to serve as the local partner for the state-wide network known as the **Georgia Family Connection Partnership (GaFCP).** This unique network brings together more than 3,000 local- and state-level partners in all 159 counties across Georgia who work toward measurably better outcomes for our state's children, families, and communities. The Cobb Collaborative focuses on three initiatives to improve outcomes specific to Cobb County – *Literacy, Mental Health, & Civic Engagement*.

What is Civic Engagement? Civic engagement is working with local institutions and fellow residents to promote meaningful actions, movements, and relationships within a community or population. This can take many forms of political, social, and individual efforts, from voter registration to talking politics with friends or family to trusting local businesses and participating in community groups. Research tells us that high levels of civic health correspond to lower crime rates, better public health outcomes, and greater economic resilience, particularly during economic downturns. Our goal is to improve our community by empowering the people of Cobb County to become highly engaged and informed citizens.

JOB OVERVIEW:
We are seeking enthusiastic and dedicated high school interns to join our team as Civic Engagement interns. In this role, interns will play a crucial part in promoting civic engagement within the school community by conducting voter registration drives, providing voter education to teachers, students, and faculty, and actively participating in organizational programming.

YOUR IMPACT & RESPONSIBILITIES:
Voter Registration Drives:

- Organize and execute voter registration drives within the high school community.

Collaborate with local election officials to ensure accurate and timely processing of voter registration forms.

- Provide assistance to individuals in completing voter registration forms.

Voter Education:

- Develop and deliver informative sessions on the importance of voting, electoral processes, and the significance of civic participation.
- Conduct workshops and presentations for teachers, students, and faculty to enhance their understanding of the voting process.
- Stay updated on local, state, and national election information to provide accurate and relevant voter education.

Organizational Programming:

- Assist in planning and executing organizational programming related to civic engagement.

- Work collaboratively with the team to develop and implement initiatives that encourage active participation in democratic processes.
- Attend and actively contribute to organizational meetings and events.

Communication and Outreach:

- Effectively communicate information about voter registration, education, and organizational programming to the school community.
- Utilize various communication channels, including social media, posters, and announcements, to reach a diverse audience.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE HAS:

- Currently enrolled as a high school student with a passion for civic engagement.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Strong organizational and multitasking abilities.
- Knowledge or willingness to learn about voter registration processes and election-related information.
- Proactive and self-motivated with the ability to work independently and as part of a team.

GREAT BENEFITS:

- Gain valuable experience in civic engagement and community organizing.
- Networking opportunities with local election officials and community leaders.
- Enhance leadership and communication skills.
- Make a positive impact on the school community by fostering a culture of civic responsibility.

LOCATION, COMPENSATION & EXPECTED HOURS:

- **Location**: Hybrid/Remote
- **Temporary**: February 5, 2024 – December 4, 2024
- **Part-Time**: Up to 7 hours/week
- **Compensation**: $750 for three semesters/quarters (Spring, Summer, and Fall). 50% upon acceptance and 50% at conclusion, provided the work is deemed satisfactory.

TO APPLY:

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Nichola Hines, Vote Your Voice Coordinator at votingl@cobbcollaborative.org. **Applications will be accepted until January 29, 2024.** The cover letter should be concise, and compelling, and include why you would like to be an intern for Cobb Collaborative.

Cobb Collaborative is an equal-opportunity employer and welcomes people from all backgrounds, experiences, abilities, and perspectives to apply. US Work Authorization is required.