

# Freedom Quest Internship

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## Position Overview:

Freedom Quest interns are missionaries to the state of Iowa! Spend the summer visiting rural Iowa communities with high-energy, fun events including bounce houses, carnival games, and a BBQ dinner. Interns will oversee most responsibilities in planning and executing large-scale youth events. Overall, interns will grow in leadership skills and build a platform for future Freedom for Youth Centers across rural Iowa. (Each community is between 40 minutes and 80 minutes outside of Des Moines. Transportation is provided.)

**Start/End Dates:** Summer 2019 (May 29th-August 2nd)

**Hours:** Full-time, 40 hours per week

**Days/Times per Week:** Office days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00-5:00pm; Event days: Tuesday, Thursday 1:00-9:00pm

**Compensation:** \$100 stipend per week (housing available in Des Moines at no additional cost)

**Number of Openings:** 6

## Duties & Responsibilities:

- Collaborate as a team to plan and execute large-scale youth outreaches:
  - Be an active participant in event set-up and tear-down.
  - Take initiative to facilitate event activities and display the Gospel in an engaging way.
  - Prepare for events by:
    - Communicating with contacts via phone and mail
    - Creating plans and gathering materials for the events' activities
    - Purchasing all necessary supplies, and habitually assessing inventory
    - Canvassing the communities to further promote events
- Seek to develop relationships with children and families met at Freedom Quest events through games, crafts, stories and more, all with the Gospel incorporated at the heart of the outreach and within the conversations had.
- Serve as an advocate for Freedom for Youth, sharing the organization's vision of reaching youth across Iowa with the Gospel with families, children, and leaders in rural communities.
- Work alongside Freedom for Youth staff to organize information gained in each community, such as communications and engagements with families, local businesses, churches, and volunteer contacts.

## Required Skills & Qualifications:

- Agreement with Freedom for Youth's Statement of Faith (mission, core values, beliefs)
- Proven leadership and organizational skills

- Ability to motivate and encourage others
- Attitude of flexibility and initiative within a team environment

**Learning Objectives:**

- Accomplish the behind-the-scenes duties involved for large-scale events, embracing the balance of attention-to-detail and big-picture goals of the Freedom Quest initiative.
- Learn effective ways to reach out to unchurched children in towns across Iowa.
- Plan activities and coordinate logistics of large-scale outreach events. (Note: There will be two event structures to be planned for and refined throughout the summer. We host two events in each community we are reaching.)
- Work as a team to problem-solve and foster a culture of striving for improvement sustained by grace.

**Application Process:**

Submit resume, cover letter, and statement of faith (a summary of your beliefs and walk with Christ) to the Statewide Outreach Manager, Leanna Mullen, at [lmullen@freedomforyouth.org](mailto:lmullen@freedomforyouth.org).

Upon reviewing your application, the Statewide Outreach Manager will reach out to you to interview either in-person or over the phone. If the hiring manager decides to proceed with your application, we will conduct reference and background checks. You will be notified once this is complete and be sent either a job offer or declination.