The City of Raleigh will begin accepting applications and conducting interviews for its Summer Youth Employment Program in March. The program provides not only work experience but also life skills training and mentoring by local lawyers, law enforcement officers and other professionals. Teens in the program attend workshops on topics such as employment readiness, work ethic development, communication, budgeting, decision-making and conflict resolution.

If selected will work 20 to 30 hours a week as office staff, light laborers, staff assistants, and recreation counselors. The program runs from June 15 to Aug. 14, and pay is $7.25 an hour.

To be eligible, a teen must live in the City of Raleigh and be at least 15 and no older than 18 as of May 31, 2015. To prove age and residency, applicants must submit a clear photocopy of a North Carolina driver’s license, learner’s permit or NC state identification card. (Copiers will not be available at the interview sites.) Documentation must be provided at the time of interview. Temporary driving certificates, state identification cards receipts, and school identification cards will not be accepted.

Positions will be posted on the City of Raleigh website on February 16, 2015. Applications for these positions must be submitted through the city’s Online Application Process at www.raleighnc.gov (navigate to “Employment Opportunities”). PAPER APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Interviews will be conducted March 3-31, 2015 at ten community centers across the city. Hiring decisions will be made after all interviews are completed.

2015 RALEIGH SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

NEW NEIGHBORHOODS TO JOIN NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRY

Central CAC
Person Pointe
Home Owners Association
North CAC
Reedham Oaks
Home Owners Association
Northwest CAC
Sans Famille
Home Owners Association

Learn more about the benefits of joining the Registry at www.raleighnc.gov (Search "neighborhood registry") or call 919-996-6100.
AARP Tax-Aide is the nations largest free, volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service. It is available to taxpayers with low income and middle incomes.

AARP Tax-Aide offers a variety of services each year which include:

- Face-to-face tax assistance and preparation at sites throughout the county such as libraries, senior centers, and churches;
- Free Electronic filing (e-filing) at ten tax preparation sites from February 1 to April 15 in Wake County. E-filing is more accurate and processes the tax return more quickly.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers are trained and IRS certified each year to ensure their knowledge about the latest changes and additions to the U. S. Tax Code.

Because of the complexity of the U. S. Tax code, older taxpayers with low incomes may over pay their taxes or have to rely on expensive and, for many unaffordable professional tax preparation services.

Locations will be operational from Feb. 2 thru Apr. 15 at their respective schedules.

AARP Tax Aide site locations in Raleigh area are:

- Tabernacle Baptist Church
  8304 Leesville Rd.
  Raleigh M & W 9-3
- Martin St. Baptist Church
  1005 E. Martin St.
  Raleigh T & TH 10-2:30
- Five Points Center for Active Adults
  2000 Noble Rd.
  Raleigh T & F 9-4:30
- Longview Baptist Church
  2308 New Hope Rd.
  Raleigh M & W 9:30-3

Walk-ins also welcome

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To find the nearest Tax-Aide site, go to www.aarp.org/taxaide or call 1-888-227-7669

Raleigh Neighborhood College & Citizens Leadership Academy Are Now Accepting Applications for the 2015 Spring Session!

Classes begin in March

You may apply online or print out an application to mail. For more information please call 919-996-6100 or visit our website at: http://www.raleighnc.gov/community/content/Departments/Articles/HousingandNeighborhoods.html

**CITIZENS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**

Citizens Leadership Academy is a series of classes offered to help Raleigh residents develop skills as a neighborhood and community leader.

**RALEIGH NEIGHBORHOOD COLLEGE**

This is a wonderful way to learn about local government services in Raleigh and Wake County! Students meet Raleigh and Wake County staffs who offer an inside look into the services and programs offered to citizens.
Our Mission

We promote and advance continuous quality-of-life improvements in neighborhoods and communities, meaningful civic and community engagement for all of Raleigh’s diverse citizenry, positive youth development and purposeful volunteer opportunities.

We do so by helping individuals, groups and communities recognize their skills and assets, by mobilizing people to take action on their own behalf and by connecting them to appropriate resources so they can achieve positive results for their neighborhoods and communities.

We also invite you to nominate a deserving individual, business, student, or nonprofit organization for a Human Relations Award.


Nominations are due by Friday January 16, 2014.

26TH ANNUAL HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AWARDS BANQUET

The City of Raleigh Human Relations Commission is looking forward to its 26th Annual Human Relations Commission Awards Banquet in February 2015. We will honor a student, adult, business and nonprofit organization for significant contributions to equal opportunity, inclusiveness and influences in creating the platform resulting in Raleigh being recognized a great City in which to live. This year we have adopted the theme: “Bridge Builders.”

To ensure your place as a sponsor in our souvenir book, or to purchase tickets to this awesome program, please contact Marionna Poke-Stewart in the Community Services Division at marionna.poke-stewart@raleighnc.gov or (919) 996-6100 before January 24, 2014.

Know someone who has contributed to positive human relations in our city. Nominate Now!