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News Release

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Share! Durham YouthWork Internship Program now accepting summer employment applications; job fair Feb. 6
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Durham Seeking Summer Youth Interns

Job Fair Set for February 6; Employment Opportunities for Ages 14-24

DURHAM, N.C. - Durham youth between the ages of 14 and 24 who want to explore a career, earn money, and gain valuable work experience are invited to apply now to the [Durham YouthWork Internship Program \(DYIP\)](#).

The DYIP, a program of the Durham Workforce Development Board, is administered by the City of Durham Office of Economic and Workforce Development and is a partnership between the City, Durham County, Durham Public Schools, Durham Technical Community College, and Made in Durham.

Applications are now being accepted [online](#) for approximately 250 summer employment opportunities that will be available this year. Potential applicants may review job listings online to determine their eligibility and apply for DYIP positions by visiting the [City's website](#). The position name is listed as "Durham YouthWork Intern." The deadline to apply is Friday, March 18, 2016.

Durham youth are invited to learn more about these summer internships, job opportunities, and receive application assistance at a Job Fair on Saturday, February 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Holton Career and Resource Center, 401 N. Driver St., Durham. This Job Fair is hosted by the DYIP and Durham Parks and Recreation.

Internship placements within the City include the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Durham Parks and Recreation, Public Works Department, Durham One Call, and

others. Other partners include Durham County, Durham Public Schools, Durham Technical Community College, North Carolina Central University as well as local businesses and non-profit organizations. The selected young people will begin work in mid-June with job assignments typically lasting between six and eight weeks. Participants will also take part in a job skills workshop led by Durham Public Schools and assisted by professionals from local businesses and organizations.

If youth applicants or their parents/guardians have questions about the DYIP application process, contact Employment Program Coordinator James Dickens with the City's Office of Economic and Workforce Development at (919) 560-4965, ext. 15217 or by [email](#).

The DYIP is also seeking businesses and organizations interested in hiring youth for the summer and/or after-school internships. Businesses can sign up to participate by completing an [online position request form](#) or by contacting Senior Employment Program Coordinator Malinda Todd with the City's Office of Economic and Workforce Development at (919) 560-4965, ext.15220 or by [email](#).

About the Durham Workforce Development Board

The [Durham Workforce Development Board](#) is a consortium agreement between the City and County of Durham. The [City of Durham Office of Economic and Workforce Development](#) serves as the administrative entity and staff to the board. Through collaborative partnerships, the board is the local policy organization responsible for the planning, oversight, and coordination of workforce development initiatives that help support economic development in Durham.

About the City of Durham Office of Economic and Workforce Development

Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the [Office of Economic and Workforce Development](#) helps ensure that Durham has a strong and diverse economy by increasing the city's tax base through several revitalization initiatives, including new development efforts in the central city area. The department also plans and promotes cultural awareness and events, identifies and recruits target industries as well as assesses and trains Durham residents to fill new jobs.

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