Program Overview
Through funding support provided by Medica, the Office for Business & Community Economic Development will now offer the Community Health Initiative (CHI). The goal of this initiative is two-fold; to provide resources that help community-based nonprofit organizations or small businesses that work in the areas impacting public health, social services, medicine, medical technology, or to help these organizations build capacity and improve their overall performance and effectiveness in communities of color; and secondly to provide University of Minnesota students with valuable applied learning experiences by linking them to opportunities in communities that face public health disparities and other socio-economic issues.

CHI Community Internships
This application is for community-based nonprofit organizations or small businesses seeking to host a University of Minnesota graduate student intern. Funded by the CHI Program, the intern will assist those organizations and businesses that focus directly on addressing public health issues or health disparities in underserved, socially and economically challenged communities. Internship proposals will be accepted in the topical areas of Public Health, Community Health Education, Social Work, Population Health Coordination, Nursing Care/Management, Health/Medical Research, Feasibility Study and Program Evaluation and Measurement.

Timeframe
CHI Community Internships are offered during the summer (typically end of May through August) of each year and are full-time (40 hour per week), 3/4-time (30 hour per week) or part-time (20 hour per week) positions. Students participating in the Community Internships are full-time graduate students enrolled in the University of Minnesota, School of Public Health, School of Social Work, School of Medicine and Nursing Students.

Qualifications
- A community-based nonprofit organization or small business serving economically disadvantaged communities and/or communities of color
- Located in the Minnesota greater metropolitan area
- Nonprofit organizations must be 501(c)(3) Certified
- In operation for at least three years
- Able to provide on-going educational experience to students
- Able to provide on-going supervision from a MSW, MPH, MD or equivalent experienced personnel
- Able to provide space and technical accommodations at organization during internship period
- Able to clearly define internship scope, goals and objectives
- Willing to have a pre-internship organization assessment and post-internship evaluation & assessment
- Able to pay an administrative fee of $100.00 (Student wages are paid by the CHI Program)
Community Health Initiative (CHI)
Organization Application – Community Internship

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS AND THOSE NONPROFITS OR BUSINESSES NOT MEETING THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Organization Name: ________________________________________________

Contact Person/Title: ______________________________________________ 

Executive Director or Business Owner: ________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: _____________________________

E-mail: ___________________________ Web Page: _______________________

Year Established: ________ 501(c) (3) Certified? Yes __ __ __ No __ __


Number of Employees: Full-time ___________ Part-time ___________

What type of organization are you? (Circle all that apply)

Youth Teens Seniors Human Services Health Economic Development

Disability Financial Educational Housing Chamber of Commerce Employment & Training

CDC Social Services Medical/Clinical Other (Please specify): ______________

Organization Description: __________________________________________________________________________________

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Geographically, what Counties and neighborhoods does your organization serve? (Hennepin, Ramsey, Powderhorn, Phillips, Frogtown, etc…)

What ethnic or other constituency groups does your organization serve?

- African American
- Asian American
- Hispanic American
- Native American
- White American

Immigrant (Please specify)

Other (Please specify)

Community Internships are available in the following areas. Please check the topical area for which you are requesting a summer intern.

DO NOT CHECK MORE THAN TWO CATEGORIES.

- Public Health
- Community Health Education
- Social Work
- Population Health Coordination
- Nursing Care/Management
- Health/Medical Research
- Feasibility Study
- Program Evaluation/Measurement
- Other

Please indicate if you prefer a Full-time (40 hours/week) 3/4-time (30 hours/week) or Part-time (20 hours/week) Student Intern for the summer.

- Full Time
- 3/4 Time
- Part Time
- No Preference
Describe your Community Internship in **DETAIL**. Please be **SPECIFIC** when describing the scope of this request. Describe how the results of this internship will benefit the community at large as well as the organization. What valued experiences will the student gain by participating in this internship?

**List Project Goals & Objectives:**

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**List Project Tasks & Timelines:**

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**List Project Outcomes & Deliverables:**

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Please list any specific skills, knowledge or past experiences the student should have.

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Please share any other information about your organization that would be useful in considering your application.

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How did you hear about our program? (Check all that apply)

_____ BCED Website

_____ Brochure/Mailing

_____ CHI E-mail Notice

_____ E-mail notice from another organization (please name) ________________________________

_____ Referral from another organization (please name) ________________________________

_____ Other (Please specify) ___________________________________________________________