



Africa Foundation Youth Employment Services (YES) Programme - Echo

Title : Echo - Environmental Education
Region : Mpumalanga, North & South, South Africa
Duration : 12 months (01 May 2024 - 31 April 2025)
Closing Date : 08 March 2024
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The purpose and mission of Africa Foundation (AF) is to facilitate the empowerment and development of people living within identified protected areas in Africa, by forging unique partnerships between conservation initiatives and local communities.

AF is committed to sustainable development by focusing on projects within the areas of Education, Health Care & Clean Water, Environment & Conservation, Small Business Development and Youth Empowerment. Within the Youth Empowerment programme there will be opportunities for unemployed youth to be offered internships.

The Internship opportunity is a joint programme of Africa Foundation, Yes4Youth and the Communities where Africa Foundation operates. **Mpumalanga North and South** - Islington, Clare A, Gottenburg, Hluvukani, Thlavekisa, Welverdiend, Hlalakahle, Eglington, Belfast, Dumphries A,B & C, Huntington, Ireagh A, Justicia, Kildare A,B & C, Lillydale A & B, Metsi, Newington C and Somerset

The main aim of the programme is to empower unemployed youth by offering them a first chance at a quality, paid work experience for the period of **12 months**. The Internship is interactive and hands on, ensuring that the successful candidate will benefit from the stimulating and effective on the job experience environment. It offers the successful candidate the opportunity of working, managing and mentoring young people in several Conservation, community development and Management areas. The successful candidate will be exposed to our core areas of operation. The work environment is project oriented, which gives the individual a chance to develop their professional skills. We are looking for self-motivated team individuals who are passionate about Environmental Issues and community empowerment.

Echo Stewards

- Provide support in Implementing Echo Programme in various schools
- Developing and managing Echo programme daily schedules
- Assisting community members with environmental and conservation activities or issues
- Submitting weekly reports and photos of activities conducted as when required
- Assist in developing templates for data management for Echo
- Monitor and provide assistance to the youth where required
- Track progress on the Echo lessons conducted and create reports on a weekly and monthly basis
- Mentor and provide necessary training to the youth where required
- Create and manage team schedule and track progress
- Handle admin work including HR day-to-day issues

WORKING CONDITIONS

Based at a local Schools - Classroom, office or outdoor environment
Occasional traveling, overtime and out of office hours required. (Flexibility working hours)

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must have and submit the following:

- Certified ID, High school Matric certificate, diploma, degree or equivalent.
- Solid understanding of health and safety rules and legislation.
- Must reside in Communities where AF/andBeyond operates.
- Must be between the age of **18- 27 years** before application date **01 May 2024**.
- Must be black and South African citizens.
- Must be unemployed as of **01 May 2024**
- Must **NOT** be a previous **YES4Youth** placement.



Due to the nature of where Yes4Youth may be placed, a Covid-19 Vaccine and Police Clearance Certificate is required. Please ensure this is available/be prepared to do it.

KNOWLEDGE & EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

Must have knowledge and understanding of andBeyond Communities where AF operates.

SKILLS REQUIRED

- Ability to work independently as well as in a team.
- Ability to use a smartphone,
- Ability to access and use active email account
- Ability to educate, empower and motivate
- Strong interpersonal skills; working with a variety of people in diverse environments.
- Highly organised, detail orientated multi-tasker.
- Good command of spoken and written English; Strong understanding of regional languages.

RESOURCES PROVIDED

Cell phone (For the purposes of Y4Y App engagement training, surveys, reporting, and capturing data)

Send applications via email BEFORE **08 March 2024**.

Email address: MPUapplications@afsouthafrica.org

*Successful applicants will be contacted telephonically; successful applicants will be informed of **Date, Time, and Place** of interviews. **If you do not receive a call or invitation for an interview within 2 weeks, please consider your application unsuccessful.**

***Please CLEARLY mark the POSITION you are applying for on the Subject of your application, CLEARLY specify if you would like to be considered for more than 1 post and CLEARLY indicate if your particulars can be kept on our database, period of no longer than 6 months for other possible openings.**