Teen REACH Program Description

Target
Teen REACH (Responsibility, Education, Achievement, Caring and Hope) provides services to high-risk youth between the ages of 6 and 17.

Purpose
The purpose of the program is to expand the range of choices and opportunities that enable, empower and encourage youth to achieve positive growth and development to improve expectations and capabilities for future success; and avoid and/or reduce risk-taking behavior.

Services
Teen REACH programs provide the following prevention-focused core services during out-of-school time hours. The core services include:

- Improving educational performance, which encompasses time to do homework, tutoring in basic skills and enrichment programs that encourage creativity
- Life skills education to provide youth with alternatives to a range of risky behaviors
- Parental involvement so that parents and guardians have opportunities to meet with staff to discuss their children's activities and to participate in events that strengthen parent/child bonds and community involvement
- Recreation, sports, and cultural and artistic activities
- Adult mentors who allow opportunities for participants to develop and maintain positive, sustained relationships with adults
- Service learning to help youth build academic skills while strengthening communities through service
Teen REACH Intern
Position Description

Basic Requirements:

- Complete required program trainings and background checks
- Interest in working with at-risk youth who have been involved and/or impacted by the social service systems and need academic support to increase successful outcomes
- Ability to interact with and care about youth in a nonjudgmental manner
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Initiative and a willingness to follow through with assigned tasks

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Assist with facilitating weekly Teen REACH sessions and interactive activities
- Provide Teen REACH participants with information and group-based activities to increase self-esteem, gain life skills and engage in positive activities.
- Consistency in being timely and professional while in various settings; attending Teen REACH program activities and outings; contacting the Teen Program Associate and/or Unit Director with schedule changes
- Collect attendance and participation data for monthly program reporting in collaboration with the Unit Director
- Build collaborative working relationships with Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club staff and Teen REACH participants' family
- Maintain ongoing contact/consultations with the Program Staff to share concerns, highlights, and ideas

To apply:

- Email your cover letter and resume to Tracy D. Dace at tdace@dmbgc-cu.org