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Consultant Position – Summer Youth Program Coordinator

HumanitiesDC is looking for a highly motivated, well organized individual to coordinate the 2017 Soul of the City (SOTC) program. SOTC is our longstanding youth leadership and workforce development program that operates as part of the Marion Barry, Jr. Summer Youth Employment Program.

The annual Soul of the City youth leadership program uses the city of Washington and its unique neighborhoods and culture as a classroom. Each Soul of the City program is a little different, but by the end all participants:

- Gain a new understanding of DC and their role in the city
- Learn about DC's local, national, and international dimensions
- Gain practical skills in technology, project management, and new media
- Learn how to be leaders and work as part of a team

This year's theme will be a look at youth and community police relations. It will provide fifty DC Public Schools students with job and career training, a greater awareness of the local, national, and international cultures thriving in their own backyard, leadership skills, and conflict resolution skills to interact peacefully with law enforcement. Participants will create a media project on police-youth relations as the capstone project.

Duties:

- Develop, in conjunction with HDC staff, a strong, replicable six-week curriculum that uses the humanities disciplines to provide new perspectives on youth and community police relations.
- Take the lead running the curriculum and the day-to-day operations of the program.
- Train other consultants, volunteers, and interns to help run the day-to-day program operations and enact the curriculum.
- Actively recruit guest speakers and propose innovative experiential learning modules.
- Lead field trips to various parts of the city.
- Coordinate the development of the student capstone project.

Qualifications:

- Strong track-record of working successfully with young people.
- College degree in a humanities discipline.
- Strong written and oral communications skills.
- Demonstrable creativity and initiative.
- Background in education, workforce development, and/or leadership training is preferred.

Terms:

- Contract Start: Approximately April 1, 2017; Contract End: August 15, 2017
- Maximum Billable Hours: 250; 175 hours during the program period 6/26/17 – 8/4/16; Remaining 75 hours before for curriculum development, planning and training; after for evaluation.
- Additional terms will be negotiated with the selection of an applicant.

To apply, submit a cover letter and resume to Stephanie Scott at sscott@wdchumanities.org.

HumanitiesDC is an independent, non-profit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities that serves the people of the District of Columbia. The mission of HumanitiesDC is to enrich the quality of life, foster intellectual stimulation, and promote cross-cultural understanding and appreciation of local history in all neighborhoods of the District through humanities programs and grants.