

# Make a difference in your life. Make a difference in the community.

## **Serve is seeking Youth Team Members**

### For the next Experience This! program

This is a full-time program for a team of youth (who can demonstrate commitment/reliability) with varied activities, workshops, and projects focusing on personal growth and skills building, teamwork, and community involvement.

# <u>Deadline for applications is: 5pm on September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012</u> We may be accepting some late applications depending on the volume

(Interviews will likely be held on Saturday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>)

We aim to interview as many applicants as possible (if we receive a high volume of applications, applicants may have an in-person interview or telephone interview).

#### You must be:

- 17 to 24 years old and motivated/willing to do work, activities and follow instructions
- Willing and able to work with people, in a team & with diverse populations
- Committed to personal development and improvement as well as challenging yourself
- Willing and open to participate regularly in activities, workshops and energizers/games for learning and team building as well as to practice workplace skills/experience
- Open to carrying out weekly repeat community service/development work to meet community needs (i.e. may involve working with seniors, helping with services for people who are homeless, interacting/working with children, or working on public education for a community cause)
- Open and willing to participate in mandatory outdoor adventure-based team building and experiential education challenges/trips (i.e. one day and up to a week-long trip outside of city)
- Able to commute daily to and from program and be on time (mostly downtown activities)
- Available on a <u>full-time basis</u> (40 hours per week mainly from Mon. to Fri.) for 5½ month program from end of October 2012 to early/mid April 2013. This means you would not be in school/working full-time as the program day can run approximately 9am to 5pm.

#### You will gain:

- Leadership, job and life skills
- Stronger interpersonal, communication, conflict resolution and problem-solving skills
- Increased knowledge of community issues as well as connections to community resources
- Greater self-confidence, assertiveness, and personal awareness
- Experience in organizing projects or activities
- Support in planning and reaching your goals....and an experience of a lifetime!

### **Program Participation stipend/support:**

Participants earn a bi-weekly stipend (every two weeks) of \$400 (increases to \$450 and then \$500 later in program) for consistent and active daily participation (the amount is dependent on punctuality, regular attendance, and meeting important program/professional expectations). Plus public transit subsidy (Serve covers half the cost of monthly TTC pass for each full month of program participation).