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College Students Wanted!

ExxonMobil's 2008 Community Summer Jobs Program is Now Taking Applications To Provide 65 Houston-Area Nonprofits Paid Interns for Summer Internships

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

Volunteer Houston and ExxonMobil announced today that 65 local nonprofit agencies have been selected to participate in the 2008 ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program. College students wanting meaningful summer internships can now apply for paid internship positions that offer both practical experience and insight into the value and importance of nonprofit work.

"Real work experience and exposure to the nonprofit sector is what the ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program has strived to offer college students for several years now," said Steve Cassiani, president of ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company. "For the past 11 years, the program has provided Houston-area nonprofit agencies operating on limited budgets the added support they need during key summer months."

Now in its 11th year, the Houston-area ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program enables selected agencies to hire a college student for an eight-week internship to assist with the heavy workload and low staffing often associated with the busy summer months. In addition to regular job responsibilities, interns will attend a day-long development seminar designed to broaden their exposure to the nonprofit sector, volunteerism and community needs.

"We are grateful that ExxonMobil has brought this program to life for us," said Carrie Moffitt, CEO of Volunteer Houston. "The Community Summer Jobs Program cultivates a new generation of individuals who are inspired to pursue careers in the nonprofit sector, serve as board members or become lifelong volunteers."

ExxonMobil will provide grants totaling more than \$195,000 for intern salaries and Volunteer Houston expenses associated with the program. Volunteer Houston will offer participating agencies training in recruiting and selecting interns and managing an internship program.

Since the program began in 1971 in New York City, ExxonMobil has provided more than \$7 million to support almost 3,500 community summer job internships in ten states including: Alabama, Alaska, California, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia and Wyoming, and internationally in Angola. In the Houston program alone, ExxonMobil has provided more than \$1 million to place more than 500 college students in summer internships.

ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs interns will be selected by the participating agencies.

The intern must be a currently enrolled, full-time, undergraduate student who will be returning to college as a full-time (minimum 12 credit hours per semester) sophomore, junior, or senior student in the fall of 2008. College students interested in internship positions may contact the selected agencies directly. For a list of participating agencies, visit Volunteer Houston's web site at www.volunteerhouston.org.

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