

POSITION/TITLE: Keep Belle Isle Beautiful (KBIB) Summer Intern

LOCATION: Belle Isle, Detroit, MI

POSITION TYPE: Internship (Part-time, Temporary)

DURATION: Early June – Early August (Minimum 8 weeks)

HOURS: 25 hours per week

STIPEND: \$3,000

JOB SUMMARY

The KBIB Summer Intern will play a key role in fostering community engagement and increasing participation in conservation efforts on Belle Isle. This position is ideal for a student interested in environmental sustainability, community outreach, nonprofit work, or event coordination. The intern will support KBIB initiatives by organizing public cleanups, conducting outreach, and helping raise awareness about keeping Belle Isle clean and beautiful.

This internship is part of the Applebaum Internship Program, which provides paid opportunities for undergraduate students to gain hands-on experience in nonprofit and community-based work.

To be eligible, applicants must be:

- Currently enrolled as an undergraduate student at a college or university in Michigan.
- Based in Southeast Michigan for the duration of the internship.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

• Volunteer & Community Engagement:

- Engage and educate volunteers on conservation efforts and the importance of litter prevention.
- Track and report the impact of cleanup efforts (e.g., number of volunteers, amount of waste collected).

• Community Outreach & Engagement:

- Promote cleanup events through social media, flyers, and direct outreach to community organizations.
- Build relationships with local businesses, schools, and civic groups to encourage participation.
- Assist in developing creative ways to increase awareness of KBIB initiatives.

Program Visibility & Awareness:

- Represent KBIB at local events to spread awareness about our mission.
- o Create content (photos, short write-ups, social media posts) to highlight KBIB successes.

Assist in developing educational materials and messaging for visitors and volunteers.

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS

- Passion for environmental conservation and community engagement.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, comfortable engaging with the public.
- Self-motivated, organized, and able to work independently.
- Ability to lift and carry supplies for cleanup events (up to 25 lbs).
- Experience with social media and outreach (preferred but not required).
- Must be available for weekend events.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an individual encounters while performing the essential functions of this internship. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Exposure to outdoor environmental conditions, including variable temperatures and weather.
- Noise levels may vary depending on event settings.
- Frequent walking, standing, and carrying materials required.

BENEFITS

- Hands-on experience in nonprofit program coordination, volunteer management, and community engagement.
- Networking opportunities within the conservation and nonprofit sectors.
- A chance to make a real impact on Detroit's beloved Belle Isle Park.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates should submit a resume and a brief statement of interest (max 300 words) explaining why they are excited about this opportunity. Applications should be sent to Aly Melnik, melnika@belleisleconservancy.org with the subject line: **KBIB Summer Intern Application.**

For further inquiries, please contact: Aly Melnik, melnika@belleisleconservancy.org

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