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Community Center

The Gender Identity Project offers a

# Paid Peer Internship

*A stipend-paid training opportunity for peers looking to work with trans and gender non-conforming people of color*

***Do you want to work with transgender communities of color?***

***Are you looking for a peer-oriented position?***

***Do you want to work in social services and HIV prevention?***

***Do you want to learn marketable social service skills?***

**If so, consider applying for the GIP Peer Educator Internship!**

The Gender Identity Project (GIP) is currently accepting applications for a stipend-paid, part-time Peer Educator Intern beginning in the spring of 2009 and continuing through the fall of 2009. The GIP Peer Educator Internship seeks to facilitate the development of peer-identified providers offering social services to transgender and gender non-conforming communities of color.

**Training:** Interns will develop paraprofessional social service skills useful for working in HIV prevention and substance abuse services with transgender and gender non-conforming people.

*Core training includes:*

- HIV and AIDS prevention
- Group facilitation
- Substance abuse and harm reduction
- Outreach

*Optional training includes:*

- Peer counseling
- Community organizing
- Training and capacity building
- Computer competency.

**Who Should Apply?** The internship is open to individuals 18 or older as of their internship start date who are interested in developing peer-centered, paraprofessional skills in social services for a approximately two semesters (seven to nine months) for approximately 12 to 16 hours each week. The GIP's Peer Educator Internship is open to those considering further education and training as well as those already in school or training.

**Career Opportunities:** The GIP Peer Educator Internship integrates training with the practical skills necessary for paraprofessional employment in social services. Interns who complete the GIP Peer Educator Internship may wish to continue their education in order to go on into professional careers in social services.

**Certificate:** Upon successful completion of the GIP Peer Educator Internship, the intern will receive a certificate of achievement. The GIP and the Center will provide professional recommendations and references upon request to interns who successfully complete their internships.



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**Stipend:** GIP Peer Educator Interns will be compensated on an hourly basis at a rate of \$12 per hour. Peer Interns are non-employees who are not eligible for any benefits outside of the hourly stipend.

Please contact the GIP Coordinator and Associate Director of Center CARE, Ray Carannante, at 212.620.7310 x254, email: [ray@gaycenter.org](mailto:ray@gaycenter.org), with any questions you might have about the GIP Peer Educator Internship or the application process