

# 2012 NYC SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

## PARKS & RECREATION-026

Green Roof Intern

Olmsted Center-Flushing Meadows Corona Park  
Queens, NY

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### AGENCY DESCRIPTION

Parks & Recreation is the steward of more than 29,000 acres of land — 14 percent of New York City — including more than 5,000 individual properties ranging from Yankee Stadium and Central Park to community gardens and Greenstreets. We operate more than 800 athletic fields and nearly 1,000 playgrounds; we manage five major stadia, 600 tennis courts, 66 public pools, 51 recreational facilities, 17 nature centers, 14 golf courses, and 14 miles of beaches; we care for 800 monuments and 23 historic house museums; we look after 600,000 street trees, and two million more in parks. We are New York City's principal provider of athletic facilities. We are home to free concerts, world-class sports events, and cultural festivals.

The work of the agency goes far beyond the maintenance of 14% of New York City's land. Parks is the City's leading programmer of cultural, athletic and social activities, including nature walks, concerts, learn-to-swim classes, sports clinics, historic house tours, and much more. Each year Parks hosts annual events such as the WinterJam, Adventures NYC, the Pumpkin Festival and several others. In addition, Parks produces many special events, including concerts and movie premieres. In the summer, Parks' busiest season, the agency organizes free carnivals and concerts, and sends mobile recreation vans to travel throughout the five boroughs providing free rental equipment for skating, baseball, and miniature golf.

The Parks Commissioner is appointed by the Mayor to oversee and direct the work of the agency. The Commissioner appoints Deputy Commissioners, Borough Commissioners, and Assistant Commissioners who are responsible for managing the agency's divisions. These senior officials supervise the work of thousands of Parks employees. They work with elected officials to complete capital improvements for parks, playgrounds, and recreation centers. They work with the private sector to sponsor free public events. They get the community involved in Parks through volunteer initiatives and educational and athletic programming in recreation and nature centers. They prepare Parks' budget and monitor the work of Parks' ice-skating rinks, golf courses and other concessions.

### UNIT DESCRIPTION

The Forestry, Horticulture and Natural Resources division is responsible for citywide urban forestry, ecological and horticulture initiatives, policy standards and performance measures, including street tree planting, Greenstreets, Green Infrastructure, natural areas restoration and horticultural training and education.

The Green Infrastructure Unit is a program within the Parks Department that is a partnership with the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Office of Green Infrastructure. Our work with DEP focuses on stormwater capture in priority CSO tributary areas, primarily in the right of way. This partnership not only improves the functioning of the city's sewer system, it transforms grey space into green, providing New Yorkers with all of the commensurate benefits green space performs.

### POSITION TITLE

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### INTERNSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Interns will work with our landscape design staff to identify possible green roof locations on public buildings. Survey work will include historical map research, GIS analysis, site visits, meeting with building owners and maintenance staff. Buildings identified as possible locations will be compiled in a report, focusing on locations that are within priority sewershed areas.

### QUALIFICATIONS / SPECIAL SKILLS / AREAS OF STUDY

Must know ArchGIS, autocad, and have a knowledge of green roof systems

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

Please email cover letter and resume to [Leslie.Nusblatt@parks.nyc.gov](mailto:Leslie.Nusblatt@parks.nyc.gov)

**SALARY RANGE**

Unpaid

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / COMMENTS**