Environmental Studies Internship Opportunity Form

Organization Name: Colorado Bear Coalition

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Internship available these semesters (please mark one or more semesters):

Brief description of Your Organization:

Colorado Bear Coalition is a statewide coalition of bear groups with the mission to preserve the welfare of both bears and people.

Colorado Bear Coalition's vision is a world where black bears thrive in their natural habitat and people take responsible action to reduce human-bear conflict. Using strategies learned from Boulder Bear Coalition and a growing number of grassroots bear protection groups, we aim to support and grow local efforts to reduce human-bear conflict across the state.

Working directly with our community, city officials and state wildlife managers, we find effective ways to reduce attractants that bring bears into town. We target the root problem of why bears are in town, and implement strategies that are in line with each community. We empower communities to take a leadership role in protecting their local bears.

Describe the nature/goals of the project(s):

Goal of our project:

- Work directly with communities, city municipalities, and state wildlife officers to develop, implement, and manage strategies to reduce human-bear conflict across the state.
- Raise funds using social media platforms for the creation and distribution of Bear Safe Kits for cities across the state.
- Increase use and effectiveness of social media outreach
- Study the effectiveness of the coalition and specific strategies with a goal to eventually grow beyond Colorado to help reduce human-bear conflict across the United States.

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Please list required and/or desired skills and qualifications:

Required Skills/Qualifications:

- Interest in playing an active role in interning for a nonprofit
- Comfortable collaborating with a variety stakeholders (eg, hunters as well as animal rights groups, city officials and general public)
- Independent, creative, problem-solver
- Minimum 5-10 hours per week. Flexible hours/days.

Desired Skills/Qualifications:

- Website development
- Social media
- Fundraising
- Public Speaking
- Project Management

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