

Environmental Studies Internship Opportunity Form

Organization Name: Colorado Bear Coalition

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

Spring Summer Fall

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.

The Colorado Bear Coalition was created as an umbrella organization to provide local bear groups with a network of support and critical resources such as a Bear Safe Kit which includes templates for creating a fruit gleaming program, creating a bear protection trash ordinance, installing electric fencing, social media outreach, personalized website and logo, FAQs and presentation materials. We empower communities to take a leadership role in protecting their local bears.

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

Goal of our project:

- Help build out the CBC Bear Kit
- Work directly with communities, city municipalities, and state wildlife officers to develop, implement, and manage strategies to reduce human-bear conflict. Examples include educating local farmers about installing electric fencing, planting native food buffer zones, and brainstorming new hazing techniques.
- Raise funds using social media platforms
- Increase use of social media outreach

Please list required and/or desired skills and qualifications:

Required Skills/Qualifications:

- 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:

- Social media experience
- Fundraising
- Interest in launching a podcast