

# Mountain Roots

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Mountain Roots, Inc.
PO Box 248

Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

## Position Opening: Leadership Retreat Staff—Sept. 11-14, 2018

### **Position Opening**

Mountain Roots is looking for program instructors for September 12-14, 2018 with a training day on September 11<sup>th</sup> for a teen leadership retreat. Our instructors are able to get hands-on as working directly with our participants. As a mission-driven organization, one thing that all of our programs have in common is striving towards this common goal: to provide discovery and outdoor learning experiences with a focus on environmentally responsible and community centered living. This program has a focus on leadership and developing leadership skills and awareness of high school 10<sup>th</sup> graders. The school is providing chaperones for overnight responsibilities. Program instructor schedule for this retreat is as follows:

Tuesday September 11—Noon – 5pm (Training)

Wednesday September 12—9am-Noon (Set up & training);

Wednesday September 12--1 pm-5:30 pm (Group Activities) (3 staff on Evening Program 7:30-9:00 pm) Thursday September 13—8:45 am -5:30 pm (Group Activities) (3 staff on Evening Prog. 7:30-9:00 pm) Friday September 14—8:45 am -12:15 pm (Group Closings) & 12:15-1:30—Staff Debrief / Clean up

#### Qualifications

Leadership Retreat Program Instructors are directly responsible to the Mountain Roots Executive Director. Our instructors may range from a variety of backgrounds, but must have certain interests and qualifications. These include the following:

- > A bachelor's degree in a field related to outdoor education, or the equivalent in work experience
  - Possibly a degree in outdoor leadership/recreation/education; elementary education, the arts and sciences, non-profit management, and other related fields
- Experience (and/or interest) working with teenagers
- Wilderness First Responder (preferred), Wilderness First Aid, or Standard First Aid / CPR
- Experience working with individuals with varied backgrounds, abilities, and cultures
- An excitement about serving others in an outdoor setting through challenge and experiential education, as well as a belief in environmentally responsible actions and education
- Competent and comfortable leadership and teaching styles (and an interest to develop these)
- Interest in leadership development programming preferred



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### **Job Responsibilities**

- To practice the mission of Mountain Roots by providing discovery and outdoor learning experiences with a focus on environmentally responsible and community centered living
- Participation in staff training day
- Develop an understanding of the various programs of Mountain Roots, Inc.
- Facilitating, and teaching a small group of teenagers through pre-set leadership activities (to be covered in staff training)
- Assist with recreation time before supper
- Facilitation of one of the two Evening Programs
- Stay overnight at the Conference Center (individual hotel-style rooms provided)
- Non-facilitation responsibilities and projects as assigned
- Punctuality to all activities / effective time management
- Act as a model of character development and leadership components being taught
- Be a mentor to participants
- Manage participants in a safe manner, as outlined in the Mountain Roots risk management plan
- Physically able to work the various programs
- Maintain a positive attitude and flexible mindset
- Openness to receiving and providing feedback

#### Compensation

Daily rate depending on experience ranges from \$110-185. Staff will be paid a pro-rated rate for the half days and a training rate of \$8.50-13.50 / hour for the training / prep day on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Travel expenses offered to those travelling from out-of-state. Staff lodging will be provided (and is required), meals will also be provided Wednesday-Friday.

Position Type: Program Specific: September 11-14, 2018

**Reports To:** Executive Director

**To apply:** Send a cover letter expressing your interest in joining the Mountain Roots team this summer. Please include your qualifications, resume, and contact information for 3 references to:

Mountain Roots, Inc.

Attn: Staffing PO Box 248 Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

Or email to: ali@mountainroots.org

