

# Sister's Rising 9 - Month Internship Program

A Project of the Center for Young Women's Development

## APPLICATION 2008-2009

**Program Overview:** .....

The Sister's Rising Program is a nine-month paid internship for young women between the ages of 16-22 who have been involved in the juvenile justice system and/or the underground street economies (drug sales, prostitution, etc.) and who want to make the transition from the streets to legal and sustainable employment. The program is designed to provide interns with transferable job skills, training, opportunities for self-care, and leadership development. The goal of the program is for young women to become civically involved in their communities, by leading community projects, learning advocacy techniques, and building upon their leadership skills. This is not a court appointed program therefore, all young women in program must want to be here.

**If you are re-applying to Sister's Rising please make sure you fit the following requirements.**

- 1) Successfully graduated from Sister's Rising. 2) A strong commitment to self-determination, sisterhood, social justice, and spirituality. 3) Can work as part of a team, be on time, and be professional at all times. 3) Able to do outreach in at least 2 neighborhood in San Francisco. 4) Familiar with issues affecting low-income young women of color in the juvenile justice system.  
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Date:

<i>1. Name:</i>	
<i>2. Address:</i>	<i>City:</i> <i>State:</i> <i>Zip Code:</i>
<i>3. Home Phone:</i>	<i>What is the best time to reach you?</i>
<i>Pager/Cell:</i>	
<i>4. Date of Birth:</i>	<i>5. Social Security #:</i>
<i>6. Are you eligible to work in the U.S.?</i> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
<i>7. Emergency contact 1:</i> (Name)	(Phone)
<i>8. Emergency contact 2:</i> (Name)	(Phone)
<i>9. What has been your involvement in the juvenile justice system/ street economy?</i>	<i>10. School or GED Program</i>
	<i>10b. Grade:</i>

11. Have you participated in any work or training programs before?	Yes	No
11a. Please list:	12. How do you make money?	
<b>13. Are you currently involved with any other community programs, case management services, etc? If so, please list them below</b>		
Organization	Services Provided to you	Contact name and number

The following part of the application requires you to answer questions in the form of an essay. We ask you to do this so we can get to know you better. Please attach your answers to the application. **Please be honest. Your answers are confidential and will not be shared with anyone outside of Sister’s Rising.**  
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**ESSAY QUESTIONS**

1. Have you been involved in the juvenile justice system, foster care system or worked in the street economy? If so, what has been your involvement?
2. What was your experience in the Juvenile Justice System or on the streets impacted you?
3. Based on your personal experience, why do you think it is important for you to not be working on the streets? How do you think the program can benefit you the second time around?
4. When were you in Sister’s Rising? How long?
5. What was your experience working in the Sister’s Rising program?
6. Describe your experience interacting with young women in Sister’s Rising? What were the highlights and challenges?
7. What are your personal and professional short-term and long-term goals?
8. If you do not get rehired in the Sister’s Rising internship what do you plan on doing next?
9. What other support system have you set up for yourself to assist you in meeting your goals? What other support do you feel you need but have not been able to set up yet?
10. What are your expectations of the Sister’s Rising Program this time around? What will you do differently?
11. What skills can you bring to the Sister’s Rising Program this second time around?
12. What was your experience with outreach while in the Sister’s Rising program?
13. What are some of the things you accomplished while in the Sister’s Rising program?
14. Please elaborate on why we should rehire you?

**REFERENCE PROCESS**

Please have your case manager or another adult you are working closely with write you a recommendation/reference letter and submit it via fax or Email to The Center for Young Women's Development.

**Drop of Your Application At:**  
 The Center for Young Women's Development  
 832 Folsom St., Suite. 700, San Francisco, CA. 94107