



VOLUNTEER:

Consulting/Advising

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The Business Side of Youth seeks business owners and other professionals to volunteer as **consultants/advisors** for Washtenaw County teens as they develop business plans and begin to establish their own businesses. The youth will have completed the B. Side Basics Program, an intensive 12-week entrepreneurial training program. Youth will be in the process of writing an initial business plan that will need to be refined with the assistance of the mentor, or the youth will have already started a small business and will need assistance in growing their business.

We are looking for your skills in marketing, accounting, human resources, law, new product development, distribution, cash flow, supply chain management, information technology, website design, networking. . . any skill that that will help our young entrepreneurs to establish and grow their businesses.

This is a short term commitment. You will be able to share your expertise with one or more youth on your time schedule, based upon your availability. We envision that this would involve only one or two meetings.

Interested? Please contact **The B. Side at (734) 487-6570.**

If you are interested in a longer term mentoring relationship, we are also looking for **mentors**. More information about The B. Side can be found at www.bsideofyouth.com

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VOLUNTEER:

Internships/Apprenticeships

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The Business Side of Youth seeks business owners and other professionals who are willing to offer **Internships** or **Apprenticeships** for Washtenaw County teens who are seeking to gain practical business experience. The youth will have completed the B. Side Basics Program, an intensive 12-week entrepreneurial training program. Youth will be in the process of writing an initial business plan that will need to be refined with the assistance of the mentor, or the youth will have already started a small business and will need assistance in growing their business.

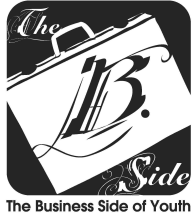
Internships and Apprenticeships can be very rewarding for both the employer and the youth. Providing real-world experience to a youth is an effective way to encourage school success and future success in the business world. Working side by side with a caring adult helps young people gain self-esteem, master the skills necessary for a successful career, and transform themselves into confident community members. Employers gain through seeing a young person grow and develop valuable skills that contribute to the business.

Internships and apprenticeship are individually designed for each situation. Time requirements are flexible, but are generally at least three to six months in duration. You can decide whether you provide a paid or unpaid position. Youth will be pre-screened, and you will have the final decision about which youth matches your situation.

We are ready to meet with you to discuss your commitment in detail, including number of hours worked per week, what is expected from our youth, and the kind of support that The B. Side provides. In order to protect both you and the youth, you will be required to undergo a criminal record check and a Child Abuse Registry check.

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The Business Side of Youth seeks opportunities for young people to **JOB SHADOW** business owners and other professionals. Youth are involved in The B. Side Basics Program, an intensive 12-week entrepreneurial training program. Youth will be in the process of writing an initial business plan that will need to be refined with the assistance of the mentor, or the youth will have already started a small business.

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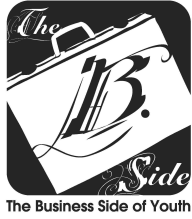
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The B. Side VOLUNTEERS

The Business Side of Youth seeks business owners and other professionals to volunteer to assist Washtenaw County teens as they develop business plans and begin to establish their own business.

We have volunteer opportunities for every level of time commitment. Here are four different ways to volunteer at the B. Side:

- **Consulting/Advising:** One or two meetings with a youth to offer your business expertise for a specific aspect of the youth's business.
- **Job Shadowing:** Allowing a youth to follow you for a day or several days to gain insight into a typical day in your business field.
- **Mentoring:** A three-to-six month commitment to work with a youth in completing and implementing their business plan.
- **Internship/Apprenticeship:** An intensive work experience for youth to gain the skills necessary to be successful in their chosen area.

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