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DOL IN SEARCH OF EMPLOYERS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE WORK EXPERIENCE AND CAREER EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH

Commissioner of Labor Catherine A. Hendry, Esq., wishes to invite Employers, Not For-Profit Organizations, and Training Service Providers to participate in this year's Summer Youth Work Experience and Training Program through the VI Department of Labor (VIDOL). VIDOL is seeking the following:

- Employers and Agencies who are interested in providing a six (6) week work experience and job training activities for youth ages 16-24
- Service Providers and Organizations interested in providing life skills and career exploration activities for youths, ages 14-15 (*Programs should run for no more than four weeks. Mini-grants of up to \$4,800 are available for qualified providers*).

Interested employers and organizations can obtain a "Request For Summer Youth Work Experience Program Participation" and "Summer Youth Workshop Application" by contacting our offices on St. Thomas at 340-776-3700 x2080 or 340-773-1994 x2140 on St. Croix, or by visiting www.vidol.gov (under the forms tab). Applications can also be picked up at our St. Thomas and St. Croix location. Deadline to apply is May 19, 2017.

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LABOR INVESTING FOR TOMORROW (LIFT) INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2017

Labor Commissioner Catherine Hendry, Esq., announced in December 2016 that the Department of Labor began accepting applications for the **Labor Investing for Tomorrow (LIFT)** summer internship program. The **deadline of March 24, 2017**, is soon approaching and slots are limited for this internship experience.

Now in its twenty-eight (28) year, the LIFT program continues to provide college juniors, seniors, and graduate students with meaningful work/internship experience in their chosen career field. Interns can gain college credits, acquire hands on–training, and the opportunity to network with professionals in their respective careers.

LIFT interns will be paid \$12 per hour and work 35 hours weekly for 6-8 weeks, depending on the availability of funds. All LIFT interns will be required to participate in a special project, a mentorship initiative, and community service activities. Additionally, all participants in the programs are provided with Life Skills Management & Career Orientation Workshops, Workplace Preparation Skills, and Occupational Safety & Health Regulation (OSHA) training.

Eligibility criteria are as follows: Interns must presently be a college junior, senior or a graduate student; have completed 60 credit hours, have a minimum GPA of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale; and be between the ages of 18 – 25, inclusive. **Application deadline is March 24, 2017.**

Interested juniors, seniors or graduate students must complete the LIFT application online on the department's www.vidolviews.org. **Completed applications, transcripts and required essay should be submitted to liftvi@vidol.gov by March 24, 2017.**

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact our offices on St. Thomas at (340)-776-3700 ext. 2080 or St. Croix at (340)-773-1994 ext. 2178.

Don't delay; apply today for the chance at a wonderful opportunity!

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**DOL ANNOUNCES THE START OF THE 2017 SUMMER YOUTH
EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING PROGRAM**

Commissioner of Labor Catherine A. Hendry, Esq., is pleased to announce that the department has begun accepting and processing Summer Youth Employment applications for the 2017 Summer Youth Work Experience and Training Program. All “In and Out of School” Youth between the ages of 14 to 25 are invited to register for the approximate six hundred and fifty (650) available slots; 14 & 15 year old youth are eligible for the Career Exploration program. Applications are available from and can be submitted electronically through the department’s website at http://www.vidol.gov/form_management.php. They can also be picked up at any of the Department of Labor office locations on both islands. St. John residents may pick up registration forms at the St. John Administrator’s Office. A Summer Employment Fact Sheet is also available online providing additional information for participants and parents. This summer, priority will be applied to individuals who submit complete applications accompanied with supporting documents, and:

- a) have not previously participated in a work experience;**
- b) are high School Juniors and Seniors;**
- c) are Out-of-School/Unemployed & Dislocated Youth.**

Youths, under age of 18, should be accompanied by a parent/guardian to sign authorization for participation in the program. All applicants should be prepared to provide a) proof of their educational and legal residency status; b) proof of enrollment in college, high school, c) evidence of a social security card; d) Photo ID; and copy of a resume if available. While applications continue to be received throughout the year for other programs and activities, youth are strongly encouraged to submit their applications for summer experiences by June 16, 2017.

If you have any questions regarding this information please email us at hireayouth@vidol.gov or contact Shenika Sebastien on St. Thomas at (340)776-3700 ext. 2080 or Amelia Christian on St. Croix at (340-773-1994 x 2140.

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