DISTRICT 7
BUILDING FUTURES
Summer Internship Program

In the summer of 2015, **Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez** of Miami-Dade County, in partnership with the **Collaborative Development Corporation**, is launching a summer internship program — *D7: Building Futures.* The program seeks to expose young people of limited means to the industries of the future, and put them on track to finding permanent employment in those fields.

The **9-week paid internship** is for recent high school or GED graduates residing in District 7's low-income areas (West Grove and South Miami) or proving financial need. We plan to place 40 interns with our business partners in growth industries.

Interns are required to:

- submit applications that demonstrate financial need, academic potential and career orientation.
- interview with, and be selected by, a panel led by the District 7 team, the Collaborative and local business leaders.
- complete a three-day workshop presented by **Miami-Dade College** and **Dress for Success Miami** on basic business skills, professional attire and personal financial management.
- take part in career and educational counseling through Miami-Dade College.
- conduct themselves according to each company's rules and procedures.

Business Partners will:

- have final approval of internship placements.
- provide a mentor.
- define the role of the intern within the company and expose them to the requirements for a career in your industry.
- contribute 50 percent of the intern's wages — a total of $1800 per intern for the 9-week program. The Collaborative will contribute the remaining 50 percent.

Schedule for 2015 Program:

Monday, June 8-10	Training Workshop
Monday, June 15	Internship Commences
Friday, August 14	Internship Ends
Saturday, August 15	Closing Ceremony with Interns and Business Partners

This is a great opportunity to help our youth. Please contact Sarah Odio, Commission Aide for Xavier L. Suarez, at sodio@miamidade.gov or (305) 375-5680 to arrange a meeting.

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