

A brief history

In 1989 Glen Schrieber was astounded by the conditions in which the youth of New Orleans lived. Escalating violence, extreme poverty, broken families, poor education and the introduction of crack cocaine had created an environment of hopelessness and defeatism within the youth.

Glen started showing up with footballs and baseballs to play games in the grassy areas and he eventually formed a structure called the challenge circle based on AWANA games. The goal was to share the Gospel and teach basic teamwork principals.

In 1991 Pastor John and Wendy Gerhardt joined the team and as relationships with the children and their families grew, a need for supplemental education became very apparent. An after-school program was formed, bridging the gap in reading comprehension and mathematic skills.

Those youth first touched in the early 1990s have become the catalyst for outreach now. An old bank building purchased in 1995 is the headquarters for today's activities. Castle Rock Community Church, founded in 1998, meets every Sunday here where youth impacted in the last 20 years are now active members.

After Katrina, Urban Impact partnered with EFCA TouchGlobal to begin the process of restoring our neighborhood. In the past three years our two ministries have hosted more than 12,000 volunteers from across the nation and around the world. We have now completed more than 20 work projects in the neighborhood from cosmetic repair to complete rebuilds.




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Urban Impact Ministries

Internship program

A group of people are playing basketball on a blue court. One person in a light blue shirt is jumping to shoot the ball. Another person in a grey shirt with "MINNESOTA" on it is also jumping. A person in a red shirt is in the foreground, and a person in a black shirt with "Come, O Lord" and "1 Corinthians 16:22" on the back is also visible. The background is a light blue sky.
2009-2010



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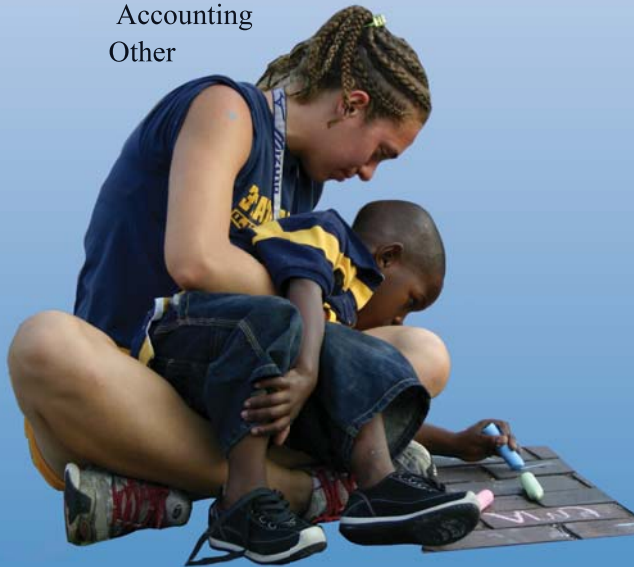
Career Track

Age: 18+, couples and individuals
Support to raise: \$4,200+ varies based on time commitment

Career track interns have an opportunity to use their talents, gifts and skills to serve in our various programs from youth ministry to administration.

Potential areas of service include:

- Construction
- Education
- Youth workers
- Administration
- Legal
- Drama/Music/Dance/Arts
- Political Science
- Accounting
- Other



Summer Youth

Age: 18-25
Support to raise: \$4,200

Our summer interns are a major asset to the ministry as they are responsible for helping run our National Project, which is a program for high school students from across the country to get a taste of urban ministry.

Summer interns help facilitate our sports and arts day camp and run the Challenge Circle, which takes place in the neighborhood housing developments each evening.

Interns receive real-life training in cross-cultural leadership, biblical principals of poverty, evangelism techniques and a biblical view of ministry.



The Details

Age: 18+
Commitment: 3-12 months. Varies based on program.
Support to raise: \$4,200+, varies based on program.

All interns will be responsible for building a prayer team and raising financial support. Support levels will depend upon length of service.

For more information on any of our programs, please visit our website at www.urbanimpact.org or contact Laura Ferguson at 504.401.4087 or laurauim@yahoo.com



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