

Ogallala Commons is a nonprofit community development network offering education, leadership, and technical assistance to create vibrant hometowns in the High Plains- Ogallala Aquifer region. For more information visit our website, www.ogallalacommons.org.

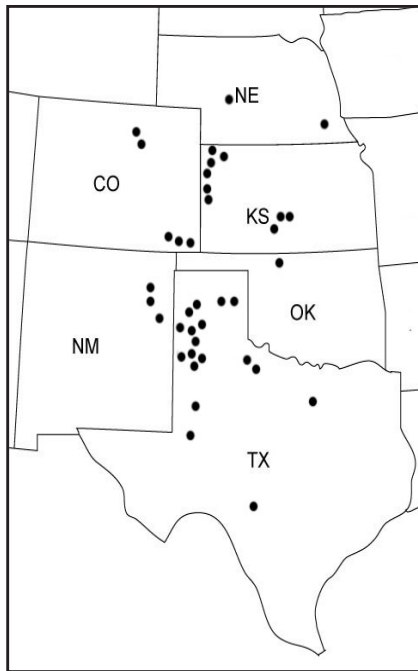
To apply for a Community Internship, contact OC Education Coordinator, Julie Hodges:

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Since 2007, over one hundred Community Internships have been created in thirty-eight communities and six states.

Internships are possible throughout the Great Plains region.



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| Campo, CO | Amarillo, TX |
| Denver, CO | Benjamin, TX |
| Lone Tree, CO | Brownfield, TX |
| Pritchett, CO | Dimmit, TX |
| Springfield, CO | Fort Worth, TX |
| Atwood, KS | Friona, TX |
| Bird City, KS | Hart, TX |
| Ellinwood, KS | Junction, TX |
| Great Bend, KS | Lubbock, TX |
| Larned, KS | Munday, TX |
| Ludell, KS | Nazareth, TX |
| Sharon Springs, KS | Odessa, TX |
| Tribune, KS | Pampa, TX |
| Weskan, KS | Plainview, TX |
| Arnold, NE | Shallowater, TX |
| Lincoln, NE | Tulia, TX |
| Mosquero, NM | Whiteface, TX |
| Roy, NM | |
| Tucumcari, NM | |
| Waynoka, OK | |
| Abernathy, TX | |

Read firsthand accounts of internships at:
www.ogallalaintern.blogspot.com



Community Internships



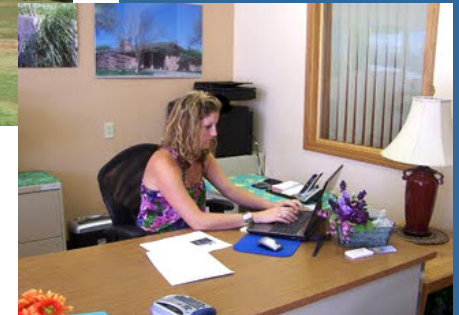
Find Your Voice



Learn & Share Stories



Steward Natural Resources



Design Your Career Path

**Develop Your Talents
 Help Your Community Thrive**



CHS Foundation, the major OC partner in creating community internships, is the giving entity of CHS, a diversified energy, grains, and foods company committed to providing the essential resources that enrich lives.



Discover Your Place



Be a Community Volunteer



Support Local Food

WHAT IS AN OGALLALA COMMONS COMMUNITY INTERNSHIP?

Community Internships are built around three important components: work experience, skill development, and hometown career exploration. Our Internships take place in a local community, a regional institution or organization, or a business. Each internship is different... based on the intern, the community partners, and the projects that the intern carries out-but all internships have the same three key components.

OC Community Internships contribute something significant to a local community or neighborhood. Working on projects that respond to community needs or build up community assets is the centerpiece of our program. Our Internships are a partnership between Ogallala Commons and community, institution, or business partners that create opportunities for high school students, college students, or adults seeking to build additional skills or develop new careers that are needed in their communities.

OC Community Internships offer experiences that highlight the assets as well as the difficulties faced by rural communities and urban neighborhoods. These internships provide one of the best possibilities for communities to connect with and inspire youth and adults to "return home" to live, work, play, and raise their families.



Revitalize the Community



Intern Orientation

HOW TO GET AN INTERNSHIP STARTED?

There are four ingredients needed to create an OC Community Internship:

- Investment Partners
- Projects
- Supervisors
- Interns

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF COMMUNITY INTERNSHIPS?

FOR INTERNS:

- Paid summer or semester work with the option of earning college credit
- Diverse skill development and hands-on, real-world learning
- Experiences in public speaking, non-profit organization work, local food production, local history, community revitalization, natural resource conservation, hometown fundraisers and celebrations, and activities that form a sense of place
- Network with interns working in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas
- Job searching opportunities and experience for resume building

FOR COMMUNITIES:

- An eager worker who can contribute to or complete important projects that otherwise remain just dreams
- A chance to share community richness and potential careers
- Plant the seeds for a youth or adult to return to their community
- Offer mentoring and supervision to a potential future resident or employee

Intern Investment Fee	CHS Foundation Matching Grant	OC Program Fee	Intern Stipend Maximum
High School Intern \$1,700	\$700	\$800	\$1,600 (200 max. hours @ \$8 per hour)
College Intern \$1,900	\$980	\$900	\$1,980 (220 max. hours @ \$9 per hour)
Adult Intern \$2,100	\$1,300	\$1,000	\$2,400 (240 max. hours @ \$10 per hour)

HOW DOES MY COMMUNITY GET AN OC COMMUNITY INTERN?

Applications, brochures and more information are available at:

<http://www.ogallalacommons.org/communityinterns.html>

Or Contact:

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