URBAN BOATBUILDERS Inc

Youth Apprenticeship Program

Urban Boatbuilders, Inc. was created in 1995. Our *Youth Apprenticeship* program provides teen apprenticeship positions for up to 20 youth per year. These teens have completed a Boatbuilding Partnership program through their school, juvenile corrections program or community program. They then apply to the Youth Apprenticeship Program. Teens who enter the program receive stipends from \$7/hour as Junior Apprentices. As they gain experience they move up



to become a Senior Apprentice, a Shop Apprentice and finally as Lead Apprentices, they earn a stipend of \$8.50/hour for their final three months in the program. Teens can participate in the Youth Apprenticeship Program for up to a year. Hours are after-school, 3:30pm to 6:30pm, three days a week. Apprentices broaden their knowledge of woodworking and boat buildings skills, gain work experience, learn appropriate workplace behaviors and strengthen values of cooperation, communication, perseverance, personal responsibility and craftsmanship. Each year Urban Boatbuilders' staff and volunteers work with teen apprentices to organize a Passage trip during the summer – a 5 day, 4 night paddling and camping trip in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.

Program Statistics (Annually):

Number of Participants	20 per year
Number Achieving Program Goal	12 to 15
Size of Budget	\$90,000
Number of Employees	1 or 2 working with apprentices
Number of Volunteers	1 to 3 after care or probation staff
Number of Volunteer Hours	150 to 200

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Boat Building Partnership Program

Urban Boatbuilders, Inc. was created in 1995 by community leaders, Community development staff and youth workers. In our *Boating Partnership Program* we contract with community-based Boatbuilding Partners, such as urban public and charter schools, juvenile corrections facilities and community intervention programs or other neighborhood groups. We work with urban at-risk youth



between the ages of 13 and 19. Each Boatbuilding Partnership project involves 8 or 9 teens building small wooden rowing and sailing skiffs, kayaks, Wee Lassie solo canoes, skin-on-frame canoes and various other small boat designs. Youth participants either build their wooden boats at their own school or juvenile corrections facility or they come to the Urban Boatbuilders boat shop. Our boat shop is located in the center of Minneapolis and St. Paul with easy access by car, bus, bicycle or foot for our youth participants from both cities.

Program Statistics (Annually):

Number of Participants	100
Number Achieving Program Goal	100
Size of Budget	\$50,000
Number of Employees	1 or 2 instructors per project
Number of Volunteers	1 to 3 from the Partner Organization
Number of Volunteer Hours	40 to 60 hours per program

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