

Agency Name: Groundwork Jacksonville		
Program Name: Green Team (Summer Apprenticeship and Community Service Fellowship)		
Department Name:		
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Program Strategy:		
<p>Summary of Program: Green Team is our youth-based conservation and leadership program. We are most active during the summer when we hire 20 teens, ages 13-18, who are living in neighborhoods along the Emerald Necklace (and within Jax Journey dictated zip codes) or active in worship, school or other activities. Through our summer apprenticeship, youth are paid to build neighborhood greening projects along the Emerald Necklace and are also exposed to our National Park Service units, careers in science, technology, engineering and math, as well as service and recreation opportunities. Each summer concludes with a graduation ceremony. Additionally, a week-long all-expenses paid trip to Yellowstone National Park for selected Green Team members also occurs towards the end of the summer apprenticeship. During the school year, graduated Green Team members are expected to lead three community service projects, hosted by Groundwork Jacksonville.</p> <p>Program Overall Status: On January 6th 2017 a six-month follow up and advisory meeting was hosted for all graduated Green Team members. A total of 7 Green Team graduates attended the two-hour meeting. The goal of the meeting was to garner input from Green Team graduates as to what kind of community projects they would like to work on for the 2017 summer apprenticeship and to also find out how in their words their time spent during the 2016 summer apprenticeship has helped them grow in their scholarly and social life. As it pertains to the latter, some feedback we received:</p> <p><i>"Green Team helped by giving me practice with interacting with others and expressing ideas. I also pick up trash on my campus (Edward Waters College) and am contemplating organizing a trash pickup"</i> Jon, 18, 2015 and 2016 Green Team member</p> <p><i>"Green Team inspired me to do a mini-bioswale for an AP biology project."</i> Joel, 17, 2016 Green Team member</p> <p><i>"Green Team has helped me identify passions to write about and has helped me become more persuasive."</i> Ethan, 18, 2016 Green Team member</p> <p><i>"Green Team has helped me think outside of the box and more radically."</i> Eduardo, 18, 2015 and 2016 Green Team member</p> <p>The feedback we received as to what kind of community projects that Green Team would like to work on during the 2017 summer apprenticeship has proven to be helpful in giving the youth more ownership in the summer program.</p> <p>On January 16th, 2017 Groundwork Jacksonville hosted our quarterly Green Team community service project in partnership with United Way, Wells Fargo and the Groundworkers for the S-Line Urban Rail Trail. We hosted nearly 35 Wells Fargo and community volunteers, including the assistance of six Green Team members. Our project consisted of planting nearly 200 native plants into a newly created bioswale as well as creating a formal rock paver pathway from Roosevelt Gardens Apartments to the S-Line Urban Rail Trail. Please take some time to view photos from the above community service project.</p> <p>On January 21st, 2017 Groundwork Jacksonville hosted the first monthly Hogans Creek trash cleanup. 13 community members joined us, including one Green Team member, to remove 13 bags of trash, a bicycle and other miscellaneous items. These items will now not adversely affect Hogans Creek wildlife or make its way to the St. Johns River. Photos of the January creek cleanup can be found here.</p>		

DELIVERABLES			
A. Quantity: How much?	Current Month	YTD	Proposed
13	13	Year to Date	20
B. Quality / Effort: How well services provided?	Current Month	YTD	Proposed
Units of Service	18		60
Average Units of Service per Participant	Unknown		
C. Client Benefits: Is anyone any better off?	QTR	YTD	Proposed
N/A at this time			