



December 3, 2014

Gerard Martinez
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Dear Gerard,

Each year the Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI) gives out community seed grant awards to worthy recipients to encourage leadership, develop alliances and reward responsibility in the advancement of climate stewardship. One of these is the education leadership award which supports educational innovation, community based environmental education and teaching excellence. This year CCLI presents the education award to the Santa Fe Community College (SFCC) and dedicates the Seed Grant portion of the award to hire a paid student intern from SFCC's School of Trades, Technology & Sustainability in collaboration with the Accelerate Program.

The purpose of the internship is to foster young people's leadership and initiative in propelling local solutions to the climate challenge. The student intern will assist CCLI with our 2015 direct action projects including but not limited to: (1) methane emission prevention in New Mexico; (2) Santa Fe carbon pricing and community impact investing; (3) carbon offsetting in the form of providing organic and farmer's market food for the deserving homeless people served by St. Elizabeth Shelter. The student intern will also collaborate with CCLI's Seed Grant Partners including Santa Fe Green Chamber of Commerce and Santa Fe Public Schools.

We thank you for the support and teamwork. We look forward to working together to make the most of this service learning and leadership development opportunity.

Sincerely,

Robb Hirsch
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