



ReGENerate Summer Youth Program Coordinator

MN8 began as a grassroots campaign in August 2016 led by the families of eight Cambodian Minnesotans to prevent their detention and deportation by U.S. Immigration Customs and Enforcement. MN8 has grown through the active participation of Asian American grassroots community organizers and people affected by U.S. detentions and deportations of immigrants, expanding its mission to advocate for all Southeast Asian immigrants and refugees facing unjust detention and deportation. We believe those who are most impacted must have power, voice and resources for change to happen.

POSITION SUMMARY

The ReGENerate Youth program, led by Release MN8, is part of our initiative to address the cycles of trauma that perpetuate within the Southeast Asian community due to poverty, historical trauma, and racism. It is offered to Southeast Asian youths aged 15 to 18 and living in the greater Twin Cities metropolitan area (including surrounding suburbs). This program is designed to support SEA youths impacted by detention and deportation, however it will be open to all Southeast Asian youths (specifically those who are Khmer, Vietnamese, Lao, Hmong, and Karen).

MN8 ran the pilot program for the first year in 2021 and is excited to run this program again in 2022, especially because of the positive feedback we received from 2021 student participants.

The program is a space for youths to learn and heal with each other. We believe that when our youths are given the right resources, they will be empowered, becoming catalysts for change and leaders in the community. Programming includes topics such as personal identity, trauma and healing, healthy relationships with family members, friends, and romantic partners, organizing, and civic engagement.

We anticipate that 2022's programming will occur over the course of August. Each week, the cohort (up to 15 students) will meet twice a week. The exact days of the week are up to the coordinator who is hired to choose.

Reports to: Organizing Director

Hours: Part Time temporary position from mid June 2022 to early September 2022



- Position will start approximately at 10 hours across mid-June to July 2022 to update programming and coordinate planning logistics (work can be done in small amounts over the course of the two months or in larger amounts over a shorter period of time)
- During the programming month of August 2022, the expected commitment will be approximately 15 hours per week (two days of programming that are six hours each day plus any prep time)
- During the post-programming month of September 2022, the expected commitment will include wrapping up and any needed reporting activities, approximately 2-3 hours in total

Location: Programming will occur either on-site at the MN8 St. Paul office or another in-person location with youth; prep work can occur remotely

Compensation: \$2,000.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Curriculum and Programming

- Update the original curriculum created in 2021
- Facilitate eight programming sessions (9am-3pm days)
- Setting up physical spaces (before 9am)
- Cleaning up spaces (after 3pm)

Logistics

- Reserve spaces as needed (with MN8 budget)
- Contact guest trainers and facilitators (with MN8 budget)
- Purchasing materials (with MN8 budget)
- **Coordinating logistics of pick-up and drop-off of student participants**

Communication

- Staying in contact with students' designated parent or family contact
- Communicate with other MN8 staff

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Strong commitment to MN8's values and mission, particularly in the abolition of ICE and carceral systems
- Excellent interpersonal skills, especially with youth
- Experience working with youth
- Highly motivated self-starter
- Over the age of 18



- Demonstrated proficiency in Google Suite (Gmail, Google Drive, Google Calendar etc.) and Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), as well as comfort learning new technology and systems
- Experience working in non-profits and/or community organizing is a plus
- Individuals with Southeast Asian heritage or understanding of the communities (Hmong, Vietnamese, Lao, Khmer) are a plus

TO APPLY

Email your (1) resume and (2) cover letter or 5-minute video explaining why you would be a good fit to info@minnesota8.org. Applications will be accepted until June 10th; we will review applications and contact applicants on a rolling basis.

Suggested Questions to Answer in Your Video

- Why do you want to work for MN8? What kind of connection or interest do you have in our work fighting against deportation in the Southeast Asian community?
- What stood out to you about this position?
- What kind of experience do you have working with youth and education?
- *Feel free to include anything else you'd like to share about yourself!*