SUMMER COMMUNITIES OF SERVICE

spend your summer serving as an agricultural volunteer!

Grow in caring for the earth while fostering healthy local communities through sustainable agriculture.









June — August 2020
10-weeks of service
O'ahu, Hawai'i
For young adults 19+
Apply by April

- **COMMUNITY LIVING**
- LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- ADVOCACY/SERVICE
- FAITH CONVERSATIONS

For more info, contact Mark Hamamoto, mark@mohalafarms.org









What is Summer Communities of Service?

Summer Communities of Service (SCOS) is a leadership program for young adults aged 19 and above. Summer Communities focuses on intersecting faith communities, service, and justice advocacy. This national network is part of the joint work of the United Church of Christ and the Alliance of Baptists. Participants live and serve typically from late May to early August in host congregations around the United States. Housing, Food, Health Insurance and a \$1,000 summer stipend are provided. While participating in SCOS you will have the opportunity to attend national orientation and debriefing events throughout the United States.

Community Living:

The "Intentional Christian Community Element" makes this program distinct and effective. Interns share a common food allowance, transportation funds, and spiritual growth insights. Participants live in a community with each other and with their hosts in their temporary city.

Leadership Development:

In the UCC and Alliance of Baptist diversity is a big piece of our identity. Both churches uphold socially progressive statements and advocate politically from a faith perspective. Diverse, community-service-integrated ministries show interns, congregations, the wider church, and a world where this faith-inspired work is happening in our midst. The SCOS experience helps interns develop long-term commitment to engage in this kind of ministry.

Hands-On Justice Advocacy/Service Opportunities:

Grow professionally and change the world. Your summer will consist of leading youth groups, assisting in freedom school activities, planning art-based initiatives, camp counsel, assisting with community gardening and serving as a disaster volunteer.

Faith Conversations:

Grow personally and grow spiritually. Go deeper and explore the meaning of life in a supportive environment.

www.ucc.org/volunteer_scos

The 2020 Hawai'i Program

SITES OF SERVICE

Mohala Farms is a 6-acre organic farm and non-profit community organization located on the North Shore of O'ahu, Hawai'i. The farm provides a place for all visitors and workers to experience living closer to the natural world – growing food that feeds us, using 100% renewable energy, building and utilizing structures made from locally-sourced natural materials and living in a more communal environment.



www.mohalafarms.org

Church of the Crossroads is a UCC Just Peace and Open and Affirming Church located in Honolulu, Hawai'i. It was started in 1923 as an ethnically-diverse church that strongly affirmed the Congregationalist's belief in God's inclusiveness and the church's democratic nature. Crossroads has a colorful history in Honolulu supporting social causes of peace and justice, both locally and globally.

www.churchofthecrossroadshawaii.org

WHEN

The program will begin on June 1 and continue for 10 weeks.

WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED

Mohala Farms will provide the following to each SCOS Intern:

Housing. Each intern will be provided a new 4-person tent (approximately 8'x10') that will be set up on a wooden platform, under a 10'x10' canopy. The tent will have a twin mattress on a bed frame inside the tent. Sheets, pillows, blanket will be provided. Tents are set up next to a line of trees to provide shade and wind protection.

Tents are just a few feet from a washroom that has two hot showers and a sink. Tents are also approximately 100 feet from a bathroom with a flush toilet and a handwashing sink.

A fully functioning kitchen with hot water, sink, stove, appliances and dining area is also just a hundred feet from the tents.

Interns will receive a stipend of \$1250 for their 10 weeks of service.

Summer Interns will be involved in all the activities at Mohala Farms:

- Farming—planting, harvesting, nurturing crops, composting, weeding, etc.
- Marketing—going to farmer's markets, selling produce once a month at Church of the Crossroads after the Sunday service, being involved in our

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program, meeting some of our restaurant partners

- Cooking/Food Prep—Making value-added products/Prepared foods using Mohala Farms produce and other locally-sourced produce, occasionally helping to cook farm meals for the community
- Education—working with visiting groups, leading specific farm-related activities with visiting groups
- **Service**—sharing farm raised produce with the local North Shore Food Bank, participating in local environmental stewardship service projects
- Advocacy—Learning about food justice issues both locally and globally, gaining a clearer understanding of what local communities are doing to support food sovereignty.

COMMUNITY

Mohala Farms is located in Waialua, on the North Shore of Oʻahu. Waialua is currently a mixed agricultural community. It used to be exclusively an agricultural community when sugar cane was grown throughout the North Shore, but is now both agricultural and residential, with a variety of businesses catering to the Tourism industry. The North Shore is home to some of the best waves and beaches in the world and has strongly resisted overdevelopment in favor of keeping the country country.

TRANSPORTATION

Summer Interns will have access to farm bicycles that can be used and potentially a farm vehicle that is currently available for use by other farm interns at Mohala. A Bus line is located a half mile from the farm that serves the entire island.

HOW TO APPLY

- Interested young adults ages 19 and older may apply.
- Applications may be completed online: https://app.smarterselect.com/ programs/63650-United-Church-Of-Christ
 - Or a PDF of the application may be requested
- Three references are required with an application
- Apply by April 2020

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