

**Sierra Visions, Inc.**  
Think Build Change Salone Internship 2007

Social Development Internship Application

Complete all parts of this application. No incomplete applications will be accepted. Applications may be picked up at any participating institution/Sponsor or downloaded from the internet. All applications must include a copy of your last official report card and the names of two recommenders with knowledge of your abilities, sense of integrity, and potential. An application is ready for submission if it includes a recent report card, personal statement and page two of this application. You can include a resume/CV but it is not a requirement. If you would like to be considered for the **Gift to Succeed (GTS) Scholarship** the application is on the last page.

Note: Additional essay for GTS. There are four pages to this application.

Eligibility Requirements for TBCS Internship:

**A Sierra Leonean National & Resident**

**17-27 years old**

**Currently in Form 5, 6, College, or recent graduate (no more than 1 year out of school/college)**

The Selection Process

A selection committee made up of six individuals will select applicants based on merit, potential, commitment to social development, ingenuity of proposed project and overall strength of application. Think Build Change Salone believes in equal opportunity and shall not discriminate on the basis of gender, religion, age, or ethnic group affiliation. Friends and family of committee members are not eligible to apply. Selection committee will notify those applicants who show talent and promise for an oral interview with the committee.

The Internship Award

Each selected applicant will receive the Leones equivalent of \$150; equally disbursed over the three month internship period.

**CAREFULLY READ ALL PARTS OF THE APPLICATION!!!!**

**PART I: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Check all that apply: TBCS Internship   
The Gift to Succeed Scholarship

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Applicant Name:  
D.O.B:  
Address:  
E-mail:  
Phone:

Institutional Affiliation:  
Class or Year in College:

**Recommendations:**

**I have discussed this application with the following individuals and TBCS may contact them.**

Name of Recommender (1):  
Contact Info:

Name of Recommender (2):  
Contact Info:

**PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

Mother's Name:  
Occupation:  
Address:

Father's Name:  
Occupation:  
Address:

*Mandatory for Internship Projects*

*All individuals who are selected for internships are required to attend a one week long orientation training workshop before the beginning of the internship period and also commit to attending an intern discussion group once every week for the duration of the 3-month internship period.*

## **PART II: PERSONAL STATEMENT**

### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

**You may combine your responses to the following questions into an essay of no more than 2 typed pages but also feel free to add anything that you believe will show the selection committee of your capabilities and potential.**

- : How has your academic or personal background shaped the project you are proposing and prepared you to carry it out? Here you may discuss any relevant classes you have taken, projects you have pursued, as well as personal experiences you have had that have prepared you for the challenges of an internship.**
- Do you consider yourself a leader? Please give us an example of your leadership activities/experiences either in school or in your community.**
- How will pursuing this internship contribute to your academic and personal/professional development in the future?**
- What sector(s) in your opinion are most important for Sierra Leone's social development?**
- What steps will you take to continue contributing to SL social development beyond your internship experience?**
- How do you plan on sharing what you learn during your internship with others at your school or in other communities?**
- What in your opinion are some obstacles to Sierra Leone's development and how do you think we can overcome those obstacles?**

### **WE WILL CONTACT YOU.**

**The Think Build Change Salone Selection Committee will review each application and contact those students who show potential in their application for oral interviews.**

**SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE ADDRESS BELOW BY JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> 2007**

**Mr. Chaytor  
Tiwai Memory Masters  
TBC Salone Selection Committee (Chair)  
49 Sanders Street  
Freetown,SL**

**Sierra Visions, Inc.**  
***Gift to Succeed Scholarship Announcement***

Sierra Visions, Inc announces its 2007 scholarship for students entering or currently in tertiary institutions. **ONE** student will receive a scholarship for the 2007-08 school year.

**Requirements:**

- Vocational, university level, or sixth form student
- Exemplary student (Receiving high marks in exams and results)
- Well written essay of topic provided by Sierra Visions. Please read topic below.
- Complete a three-month internship program through TBC, before receiving the scholarship
- Provide hours of voluntary service to Sierra Visions to receive the scholarship for the next year

**Recurring Scholarship:**

Previous year winners could reapply for scholarship the following year. Only students who adhere to certain rules will be eligible for a recurring scholarship. A recurring applicant must provide school results; assist Sierra Visions with work in Sierra Leone; and send letter during the first month of school acknowledging receipt of the scholarship.

**Reward:**

Winner will receive tuition for one year. Recipients are encouraged to apply for scholarship the following year.

**Selection Process:**

Scholarship recipients will be selected before the start of the school year. Applications will be screened during July and August. Selection is based on a well written essay, school and exam results. Scholarship recipients will be informed of their win soon after. Payment will be made directly to their respective institutions.

**Essay**

Please write a two page essay on this topic:

Discuss some issue of personal, local, national or international concern and its importance to you.

On the cover page of essay please provide:

Your first and last name, name of institution you'd like to attend, and cost of school. Also include contact information. Attach your school results to the essay.

**Deadline: Please submit scholarship essay with your Think Build Change Salone internship application by July 15, 2007.**

For any questions please contact Sierra Visions, Inc at [info@sierravisions.org](mailto:info@sierravisions.org)