



# City of Hamtramck

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### **CITY OF HAMTRAMCK RECEIVES GRANT FOR SUMMER HELP - YOUTH INTERN PROGRAM**

**HAMTRAMCK:** The City of Hamtramck recently applied for and now has received notification that the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority will award the city \$42,120 for a Summer Help - Youth Intern Program.

The program will create sixteen (16) summer jobs for City of Hamtramck residents ages 16-19 years old who will work under the supervision of four (4) adult workers. The part-time positions will begin on July 11<sup>th</sup> and continue Monday-Thursday for eight (8) weeks.

Student summer interns will focus on the clean-up and maintenance of our city parks and beautification efforts throughout the city, including picking up trash and painting, as well as assisting the city with other routine office tasks and much needed services within city hall.

Once a week, a “Lunch and Learn” session will focus on civic engagement with subject matter talks to include how to “Be A Good Neighbor” and “Ways to Make a Difference in your Neighborhood.”

“The City of Hamtramck is proud to partner with the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority (DWMHA) to provide summer intern positions for our youth. It is a win-win for our city. Students will have a chance to work together and learn valuable life skills and Hamtramck neighborhoods will benefit from having engaged residents for years to come,” said Mayor Karen Majewski.

“Summer employment reduces the risk for behavioral health issues among youth, “ said Tom Watkins, President and CEO of DWMHA. “In addition to work experience, the Summer Youth Program will provide training on behavioral health topics, such as conflict resolution and substance use disorder prevention, to promote the self-determination of the youth that will soon become our community’s leaders.”

Applications are available in person at Hamtramck City Hall, Human Resources Department 3401 Evaline Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor or by accessing the website at <http://www.hamtramck.us> on the Human Resources Department page.

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