Organization Name: Second Helpings Atlanta

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Organization’s Mission Statement:
Second Helpings Atlanta’s mission is to positively impact food insecurity and the environment in the five-county Metropolitan Atlanta area by rescuing surplus food and distributing it to those in need.

Summary of organization’s primary programs and services:
Second Helpings Atlanta is a non-profit food rescue organization whose mission is to drive out hunger and reduce food waste in the metropolitan Atlanta area by rescuing surplus food and delivering it to those in need. With an army of volunteer drivers, SHA serves as the link between our network of 63 Food Donors and the 32 Partner Agencies we work with who feed the hungry on a daily basis. The 90 Minute Model - Throughout the year, Volunteers rescue food from our network of Food Donors, transport it to one of our Partner Agencies and return home in 90 minutes or less. Since our first food pick-up in 2004, SHA has collected and distributed over 5.7 million pounds of food, enough to provide over 4.6 million meals.

Intern’s title: Strategic Planner – Partner Agency Cluster Model

Number of interns requested: 1
**Internship project/job description:**
SHA has developed a food rescue model that is scalable and repeatable by creating a network of Food Donors, Partner Agencies and a volunteer army of drivers that act as the linkage between sources of surplus food and organizations that feed the hungry on a daily basis. We have experienced tremendous growth over the past two years and need to find more efficient approaches to rescuing food and better matching available food to the specific needs of our Partner Agencies. Our current food recovery model directs all of the food picked up from a Food Donor during a specific route to a receiving Partner Agency which can result in them having food they may not be able to distribute before it spoils. We would like our intern to focus on assessing the business opportunity associated with delivering food to a central Partner Agency location that has sufficient cold storage capacity to safely store large volumes of perishable food that acts as a central source of food for a cluster of nearby Partner Agencies. This would eliminate the need for point-to-point food deliveries in some parts of Atlanta and provide a better way to satisfy immediate food needs. Our intern would develop the new food rescue business model, create the processes required to implement, identify a cluster of Partner Agencies to pilot the program and manage the pilot program to determine if this model is worth implementing on a larger scale.

**2016 organizational highlights / a year of firsts:**
- First 100,000 pound month (February)
- Rescued our 5,000,000th pound of food since our first pickup in 2004 (May)
- First 100,000 meal month (August).
- Rescued our 1,000,000th pound of food in a single year (October)
- Rescued and delivered our 1,000,000th meal (November)
- Added 18 new Food Donors, for a total of 63 Food Donors
- Added 11 new Partner Agencies, for a total of 32 Partner Agencies
- Doubled the number of Food Donors and tripled the number of Partner Agencies in the past two years
- Rescuing 100,000 pounds of nutritious food every 25 days
- Feeding approximately 3,500 people every day

**Qualifications:**
Applicant must possess strong strategic planning and business operations skills and the ability to develop an approach that can be used to assess the opportunity presented by this new food rescue model.

Are there other requirements for this position (security check, drug screen, immunizations, etc.)? If yes, please note them here: None

Will the internship require that the student have a car? Yes

Is placement site accessible by public transit or other transportation options? We are a virtual organization and have no physical office space. Periodic meetings will be scheduled & held in locations convenient for all invitees.