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Dear Prospective SYNERY Leadership Trainee, December 2013

Thank you for your interest in this year's SYNERGY program. SYNERGY is a unique professional development program that provides goal-oriented college students with an opportunity to learn skills that will advance them further in their academic and professional careers, and contribute to the future of Central New York's workforce and community. SYNERGY '13 takes place June 22 – August 8, 2014.

The SYNERGY program provides opportunities for:

- Paid training in leadership, time and financial management, conflict resolution, goal setting and communication skills
- Paid professional work experience
- Team building and networking with colleagues and other area business people
- Building your résumé and cover letter

Developing these marketable skills now will set you apart in today's competitive job market. Training sessions take place at the Vision Center, a state-of-the-art teaching and leadership development center in Syracuse, New York.

Past SYNERGY leadership trainees have worked with workplace partners such as: National Grid, SUNY Upstate, the NYS Attorney General's Office, Clear Channel Communications, LJR Engineering, Associated Architects, Dupli Envelopes and Graphics, Syracuse University and WSYR-TV.

We invite you to take advantage of this tremendous opportunity to share and sharpen your current talents while developing new skills and friends this summer. To get started, please complete the SYNERGY application and return it with your **résumé**, **required essay, letters of recommendation, eligibility form** and **transcript** to:

Mercy Works, Inc.
P.O. Box 25
Syracuse, NY 13205
Attn: SYNERGY

All applications MUST be completed in full and postmarked by Friday, March 14, 2014.
Applicants will be contacted in mid April to schedule their interview.

Best of success!

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

√ Must be a High School Graduate as if July 1, 2014

√ **FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

- Must be registered at a 2 or 4 year accredited college or university by June 1, 2014

√ **FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS:**

- Must be currently enrolled in an accredited 2 or 4 year university or college

√ Must be entering your Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior year of college in 2014

√ Must have a GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale or higher

√ **PREVIOUS SYNERGY GRADUATES:**

- Previous graduates (in their senior year) should contact the program director about other opportunities
- Prior SYNERGY participants must be in good standing
- SYNERGY students terminated prior to the end of the program cannot re-apply

FACTS ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- SYNERGY 2013 will take place Sunday, June 22 – Friday, August 8, 2014
- Orientation will take place Sunday, June 22 – Friday, June 27, 2014
- Workplace assignments begin Monday, June 30, 2014
- Trainees will be at their work sites full days (Monday – Thursday and Friday mornings)
- Additional SYNERGY training session will take place on Fridays from Noon – 4:30 p.m.
- SYNERGY Graduation will take place on Friday, August 8, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.
- All SYNERGY training and work is paid

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

√ Complete all questions and blanks on the application
√ Include all required documents upon submission of application
√ Include your most recent official transcript