

# Alexandria Seaport Foundation

## *Apprentice Program*

Through the building and use of wooden boats, ASF helps young people turn their lives around and provides families, community groups and schools with meaningful educational, social and recreational experiences. Since 1993, ASF's core focus has been a paid, work-based apprentice program serving DC, Maryland and Virginia. Here, disadvantaged young people, ages 18–24, develop the discipline, self confidence, career and social skills necessary to find a meaningful place in the workforce.



Apprentices work Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Seaport Center, located on the historic waterfront of Old Town, Alexandria. Apprentices work alongside adult mentors learning mathematical and carpentry skills while building wooden boats. After completing a four-week trial period with stipend, apprentices are paid an hourly wage which is based upon attendance and performance.

Using ASF's hands-on approach to learning, apprentices improve their ability to use mathematics in the real world by following a curriculum which allows for a progressive building of carpentry skills. By working their way up from small carpentry projects to boat repair and boat construction, students gain confidence in their own abilities to provide value in the workplace.

### **Program Statistics (Annually): (If you have additional detail of interest, please add at bottom.)**

	Adults	Youth
Number of Participants	50+	
Number Achieving Program Goal	25+	

Size of Budget	\$300,000
Number of Employees	2
Number of Volunteers	30
Boat Designs You Build	5-6
Boat Designs You Use	5

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