

Who we are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission by managing regulatory programs that maintain standards for air, water and soil quality while providing assistance to businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical, and archaeological heritage.

About the Office of Energy Programs (OEP) and Middle-West Tennessee Clean Fuels (MWTCF):

OEP provides education, outreach, technical assistance, and/or funding and financing opportunities for energy efficiency, energy management, renewable energy, energy security planning, preparedness, and response; and alternative fuels and sustainable transportation options.

Through MWTCF, OEP seeks to reduce energy costs within the transportation sector, increase the energy efficiency of the transportation sector, enhance resiliency and emergency preparedness through diversification of available fuels, and promote economic growth with improved environmental quality. MWTCF supports all alternative transportation fuels, including propane, electricity, bio-diesel, ethanol, and natural gas.



Office of Energy Programs Middle-West Tennessee Clean Fuels Accelerate Fall Internship Nashville Central Office

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Office of Energy Programs and Middle-West Tennessee Clean Fuels (MWTCF) is seeking a college student of junior or senior standing, graduate student, or recent college graduate for a paid internship opportunity at the Nashville Central Office.

MWTCF works to promote alternative fuels (e.g., electricity, propane, natural gas, bio-fuels) and vehicles to improve air quality and health, curb dependence on petroleum, and support the economy of Middle-West Tennessee through providing consultation services, fleet support, and up-to-date industry information.

Intern Responsibilities:

- Conduct market research or data analysis in the TN alternative fuel market.
- Enhance MWTCF social media efforts.
- Assist with workplace or public alternative fuel demonstration events.
- Assist with planning outreach events and community preparedness.
- Write and distribute stakeholder communications and announcements.
- Conduct research on transportation and technology trends and identify coalition activity opportunities.

Qualifications:

The intern must be currently enrolled in a college or university with junior or senior standing, a graduate student, or a recent college graduate (less than one year since graduation).

The position will be for 15-20 hours per week (to be determined upon candidate selection) for 15 weeks (including one week of unpaid time off), beginning September 8, 2026. Stipends range from \$3,150 to \$5,040, depending on academic classification and hours worked. While this internship will be primarily remote, at least once-weekly in-office work may be expected, depending on the intern's location.



How to Apply:

To be considered for this paid internship, applicants must submit their resume and cover letter to TDEC.OEP@tn.gov by **5:00 PM Central Time (CT) on Monday, August 24, 2026**. Additional information about MWTCF can be found at <https://www.tncleanfuels.org/about-middle-west-tennessee-clean-fuels/>. Learn more about OEP at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/energy.html>.

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.