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Organization Mission: The TransFormation Alliance is a broad partnership of organizations from the private, public and nonprofit sectors dedicated to creating thriving, mixed-income communities anchored by transit and linked to all the opportunities and amenities that make Atlanta great. Our mission is to offer all residents the opportunities for a high quality of life, linked by our region’s critically important transit system.

Internship Semester: Summer 2020

Project Title #1: Community Conversations for Healthy Environment

Keywords: outreach, food, communication

SLS Priority Issue Areas: Community Health

Project Background: Food access has been identified as a key issue for TFA's community partners. We have toured urban farms located along Lee Street and learned how climate change, and systemic barriers to financing and capacity building support have hindered their growth. We have also convened a Community Health Advisory Group (CHAG) drawn from residents to learn more about local needs and possible solutions. This project will support Michelle Rushing from the GA Health Policy Center in convening the CHAG to review local health systems' community health needs assessments to identify areas for joint work, and to develop and execute at least one workshop on banking and tax abatement for urban farms.

Project Timeline: This work finish in Summer 2020.

Desired skills and qualifications: writing, project management, strong follow through

Deliverables: Report on proceedings of CHAG meetings. A workshop on banking and tax abatement for urban farms.