



Community Garden Manager

Part-time Annual Position – 1,560 hours per year (30 hours per week)

Position to commence March, 2016

\$15. per hour

Position Overview

Work with Community Gardens Program Director to:

- Manage community-based garden(s) incorporating market-style production practices, home-style cedar raised beds and edible landscaping
- Learn-Grow-Earn Program*, assist in teaching classes and installing new, earned home garden beds
- Secure supplies and materials for existing and developing community-based gardens and home garden beds
- Work with Turner Farm staff to secure seeds and cultivate bedding plants for community gardens

Curriculum Development with Community Gardens Program Director

- On-site classes and experiential garden training
- Learn-Grow-Earn Program
- Curriculum consultation with Turner Farm Adult Education Director and Crop Production Manager

Assist Community Garden Program Director with Community Out-Reach and Marketing:

- Community Councils
- Faith-based Organizations
- Food Pantries
- Gardening Organizations, Urban Agriculture Programs and/or Community Garden Projects
- Social Media

Annual Budget

- Management of expenditures and reporting to Community Garden Program Director

Position Qualifications

- Farm Internship Certificate, Associate or Undergraduate Degree in Horticulture or two (2) years of Market Gardening and/or Small Organic Farm experience
- A commitment to working with organic and biological gardening farming/market gardening best practices
- Practical knowledge and experience in small mixed crop market-style gardening including seed germination and plant propagation, succession planting, crop rotation, season extension, cover and green manure crops, composting, and other sustainable agriculture practices
- Practical knowledge working with hand cultivation garden tools (hoes, cultivators - handle and wheel, spading fork...) and small power equipment (tiller, line trimmer, mower...)
- Strong leadership, teamwork, and interpersonal skills with a proven ability to work with diverse audiences and collaborators
- Good communication, public speaking and writing skills
- Self-motivated, flexible and cooperative
- Excellent administrative and organizational skills with practical working knowledge of basic computer office management programs and social media
- Ability to work weekends and some evenings
- Valid driver's license
- Able to lift 50 pounds and perform the tasks associated with a sustainable agriculture operation

Other, but Not Required Qualifications

- Experience cultivating new community garden sites
- Training in and/or experience with Permaculture practices
- Experience working in an educational farm setting
- Experience working with community groups with limited resources
- Experience with or training in civic engagement and needs-based assessment practices
- Basic carpentry skills

About the Turner Farm Community Garden Program

The Turner Farm Community Garden Program is committed to connecting people to their food through new collaborative methods and innovative urban land use with an emphasis on sustainable biological agricultural practices and civic engagement.

At present the Turner Farm Community Garden Program continues its pilot garden in the East End and during the summer of 2015 developed the Winton Terrace Community Garden. In addition we are partnering with the Franciscan Community Garden on garden training for Bhutanese refugees and neighborhood gardeners. We are currently researching community interest, need and existing garden programs in other neighborhoods with the goal of identifying and reaching out to residents, potential organizations and diverse populations with whom to collaborate. The purpose of the research is to avoid duplication of existing services and most importantly to better understand and identify neighborhoods with an interest in community-based gardening.

*** Learn-Grow-Earn Program**

The Turner Farm Community Garden Program's *Learn - Grow - Earn* program is open to anyone interested in growing fruits and vegetables at home. Participants take part in five gardening classes and complete 30 hours of volunteer work in the Turner Farm East End garden, or another partner community garden, to earn their own 4x8 foot cedar raised garden bed.

Application Process

To apply send a cover letter including work experience, resume and three (3) references by Tuesday, January 12, 2016. Send material via mail or email to:

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