

Urban Farm Internship

Grow it Green Morristown is seeking reliable, hands-on, farm interns to assist with the cultivation of produce and community at the Urban Farm. The area of our farm is approximately one acre. All of our farm practices follow organic recommendations and emphasize overall sustainability, but we are not certified organic.

Beyond being a farm, The Urban Farm is an educational center for the community and the 4,700 children of the Morris School District. The Farm Interns will play an important role assisting with the products and distribution of produce to our surrounding community. This will require self-confidence and a professional attitude, as well as being able to deal with a variety of diverse groups. Our interns must be able to work with groups of youth and adults.

The Urban Farm Interns will be responsible for assisting in food production, and helping coordinate the distribution of produce to Grow it Green Morristown's various constituencies. Interns should desire to learn more about gardening and production of food, as well as have a desire to work with children and the public. We are a community oriented non-profit, as such we will expect the intern to help with programs and classes at the garden.

As the garden is located on school district property and the interns will be working with District children, the applicant must be able to pass a criminal background check and submit to fingerprinting along with taking a Mantoux skin test.

Duties will include:

Hands on physical labor

- 1. Basic care, feeding, and tending of a large-scale vegetable garden
- 2. Using farm tools such as pruners, wheelbarrows, hoses, etc.
- 3. Must be able to lift heavy loads (such as soil, compost, rocks, etc.)
- 4. Basic knowledge of carpentry tools
- Must be comfortable using a gas operated tools such as lawn mower and weedwhacker.

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A mature, positive attitude

- 1. Dependable, organized, flexible and have a sense of humor.
- 2. Can be flexible due to weather constraints (i.e. heavy rain one day may change the work schedule)
- 3. Must be personable, like working with all kinds of people including children and our diverse community members
- 4. Work as a member of a team
- 5. A strong work ethic and the ability to work independently, with minimal oversight
- 6. Excellent communication skills

Other items that are important to both you and us

- 1. Some office work may be required.
- 2. Work can sometimes be off-site, like at our community garden locations
- 3. Spanish speaking is a plus
- 4. Must have own transportation. (NJ Transit train station is located within one mile of the Urban Farm)
- 5. Be able to work flexible hours

Job Schedule

This is an unpaid seasonal based position. We work Monday – Saturday up to 10 hours a day. When applying through a college credit course or volunteer fulfillment we can offer a flexible schedule to fit your needs. We have work available from March through Late November. During the months of May to September, we will request to work on Saturdays each week. By the end of the season you are expected to complete the committed hours.

This position is an outdoor job and requires the ability to work in a variety of weather conditions, including very hot, very rainy, and humid weather. On days where outdoor work is impossible, interns may be asked to participate in office related work or reschedule a workday. There is no housing provided.

As we will consider multiple applicants to cover our needs, on your application, please clearly state the dates you are available to start and end your internship along with an attached cover letter and resume.

Please send application to Shaun Ananko at Farmershaun@growitgreenmorristown.org

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