

Youth Farm Program High-School Student Intern

Job Description and Responsibilities 2019

Hours:

2-4 per week, April-October (for a total of 100 hours)

Description:

The Youth Farm Program involves a series of weekly after-school meetings for children in upper elementary school, in the Downtown Greens upper garden April-October. Children receive a healthy snack and engage in non-traditional learning and play that includes gardening (weeding, watering, planting, harvesting), nature craft, and environmental literacy. Program leaders provide a safe environment in which children can develop positive behaviors, leadership skills, gain self-esteem, responsibility, and learn the value of teamwork. We are seeking Garden Intern to assist with critical program needs. The Garden Intern will develop and demonstrate skills in organic gardening, business, and supporting a local food economy. Depending upon the interns' interest and garden needs, she or he will explore biology and horticulture concepts, focus on food production and value-added products, take a leadership role in our monthly Farmers Market outings, or develop job skills related to landscaping and gardening. A successful intern will assist the Youth Farm Program Manager and program staff in creating and maintaining a productive organic food garden within Downtown Green's 2.7 acre organic greenspace.

Responsibilities:

Interns will complete planting, cultivation, pest control, harvesting, and marketing of value-added products at our market stand, and other tasks, under the guidance or direction of the program staff. This position is for approximately 14 hours per month, April through October. Farmers Market days are the first Saturday of the month, May through October.

To apply:

Interested applicants should provide a letter of interest, explaining why they are seeking the internship and what skills they bring to the position. In addition, please provide at least two letters of reference from teachers, coaches, or other adults that can speak to the applicant's responsibility and maturity. Please submit application materials, or any questions regarding this position, to downtowngreens@gmail.com