

Young Farmer Training Program

Job Description 2019



MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide direct agricultural experience to young adults, while simultaneously providing job skill training, and introducing new ideas and pathways for a successful life.

What is The Growing Project?

The Growing Project (TGP): TGP was formed to address the issue of food insecurity in Fort Collins, Colorado, through programming focused on hands-on education, food production, and food distribution. In 2009, TGP became a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit promoting the mission of a strong, diverse, and just local food system to all residents of Northern Colorado through direct agricultural experiences, education, and advocacy.

The Educational Garden is a one acre garden that grows food to donate to the community. Public volunteer hours are held 4 times a week. Volunteers receive produce in exchange for their help and two weekly, free, community meals are hosted. Also at the garden, TGP provides low-cost classes on gardening, foraging and primitive skills.

Title

Farm Trainee

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The Growing Project is looking for hard working, enthusiastic individuals who want to learn and give back to their community. The main focus of this job is to learn through manual labor via organic farming. Task will include: weeding, harvesting, seeding, watering, and use of various farm tools. Additional activities will be field trips to local job opportunities and services as well as guest speakers who will come to the farm to do hands on activities related to their field.

Requirements

Trainees must come prepared to work for numerous hours in summer elements. This means proper work attire for sunny hot days: proper footwear, sun protection, comfortable and functional clothing that can get dirty. Ability to lift 50+lbs and be on their feet for numerous hours. Trainees must also have a willingness to learn and experience new and different things as well as keep an open mind to different perspectives. Trainees should have the ability to communicate with staff and co-workers in an open professional manner. Must be able to work individually as well as in team settings.

Age Requirement:

14-17 years old

Dates of Job:

June 17th – August 7st 2019



Schedule (APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THIS AVAILABILITY)

Mondays: 8:00AM-12:00PM

Wednesdays: 8:00AM-12:00PM

Time Commitment

8 hours per week for 8 weeks

Trainees can only miss ONE day. Everyday after that has to be made up within two weeks of the missed day. If time is not made up, pay will be docked.

Location

The Growing Project's Educational Garden

1502 N. Shields St.

Fort Collins, CO 80524

Compensation

Stipend of \$480 that will be received once program is complete.