

Edible Garden Project

POSITION: Student Farm hand

HOURS: 35 hrs/week

COMPENSATION: \$17.00/hr

PLACEMENT: 16 weeks, between May 1st- Aug 31st

ELIGIBILITY: Student returning to school in the fall, age 15-30.

Application Deadline: Friday, May 4th – Interviews are set on a rolling basis, so apply as soon as you can

Submit application to: admin@ediblegardenproject.com

The North Shore Neighbourhood House is a not-for-profit registered charity serving the North Shore community since 1939. We believe working together to meet the grassroots needs of our neighbours, especially our most vulnerable residents is essential to building a safe, healthy and strong community. The House values and promotes cooperation, respect and empowerment through the provision of programs and services designed to meet the needs of individuals and the community as a whole.

The Edible Garden Project (EGP) is a program of North Shore Neighbourhood House. The EGP is actively increasing land used for food production, building knowledge and skills around food gardening and working with municipalities to increase opportunities for urban agriculture.

Position Summary:

The Student Farm Hand supports the farming programs of the Edible Garden Project, which includes Loutet Farm, Sutherland Market Garden and local community gardens. This position reports to the Farm Coordinator and EGP Program Manager, while working collaboratively with the entire EGP team. We are looking for individuals who are passionate about food security and environmental sustainability initiatives.

Responsibilities:

- Day to day farms operations and maintenance.
- Assist with tracking revenue at farm gate sales and community markets.
- Assist with event promotions and community engagement.
- Assist with volunteer coordination.

Preferred skills and experience:

- Farming and gardening with local organizations.
- 1+ years experience in customer service, cash handling, or running farm market sales.
- 1+ years experience coordinating groups of 2-20 volunteers.
- Excellent communication skills, and a great team player.
- Ability to work long hours and maintain a flexible schedule.
- Ability to bend, squat and lift up to 50+ lbs safely.
- Reasonable proficiency with Microsoft Office suite, Google Drive, Gmail, and ability to track data.

Bonus Assets:

- Reasonable proficiency using power drills, saws, and basic construction tools.
- 1+ years experience working in a non-profit environment or social enterprise.
- 1+ years experience in outdoor/experiential education.
- FoodSafe Certification.
- Valid driver's license and access to a vehicle.
- Apiary certification.
- First aid certificate.

Please apply with your resume and a one-page cover letter. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. All local shortlisted candidates will be invited to an interview. Upon offer of this contract position, the completion of a Criminal Record Check is required.

To submit your application:

Email subject line: FIRST NAME_LAST NAME_StudentFarmHand

Cover Letter and Resume: Please send as One PDF document, 3 page maximum (1 page cover letter, 2 page resume) with this file name: FIRST NAME_LAST NAME_StudentFarmHand

Email to: admin@ediblegardenproject.com

Only successful applicants will be contacted for interviews. Thank you and good luck.