COMMUNITY FOOD EDUCATOR (part-time)
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WHO WE ARE: FRESHFARM builds a more equitable, vibrant, sustainable, and resilient food future for the region by producing innovative solutions in partnership with local communities and organizations in the DC area. We create food access, economic development, and community building through hands-on education, farmers markets, and distribution programs. FRESHFARM’s Community Engagement team plays a vital role in bridging the gap between FRESHFARM program design and the voices of community members to equitably improve the regional food system.

WHO YOU ARE:
- Flexible team player who enjoys taking initiative and connecting & collaborating with others
- Clear communicator and strong listener with a desire to learn and grow professionally
- Passionate about social justice, equity, sharing knowledge about fresh, local, and nutritious food
- The perfect candidate has a strong connection with the local community they will be supporting

WHAT YOU’LL DO: As a member of the Community Engagement team, Community Food Educators (CFEs) collaboratively lead engagement & outreach efforts for students, teachers, families, and/or customers at least one of three sites: a local school, FRESHFARM Farm Stand, or early childcare center (ECE).

Classroom Support (at schools & ECE sites only)
- With the support of an Instructional Coach, design and conduct simple food education classes for young children based on the FoodPrints Curriculum & keep records and documentation of lessons
- Collaborate with FoodPrints Garden Manager, Garden Director, or other Master Gardener to install and maintain gardens on site.

Farm Stand Promotion & Operational Support
- Prepare Farm Stand table display, load & unload crates of fruits and vegetables, and, as needed, act a transaction coordinator and point of contact with partner site
- Strategically promote the farm stand within the community to include community partners, clinics, local schools and other locations

Community Engagement & Food Education
- Generate excitement within the school, farm stand, or ECE community about cooking, eating and learning about fresh, local produce at the farm stand.
- Facilitate cooking demos, both in person at Farm Stand and virtually, an share information about produce items, storage tips, recipes, and nutrition
- Help community members access & maximize federal nutrition benefits while purchasing produce

Training
- Engage in internal and external professional development opportunities and attend regular team meetings
THE PERKS:

- Join a collaborative, diverse team that is passionate about food education, equity, and the power of community and community engagement
- Help FRESHARM blaze the path of food education forward through enriching programming in historically underserved communities
- Get paid to participate in on-going professional development, peer mentorship, and career support opportunities

THE DETAILS:

- This is a seasonal, part-time, non-exempt position starting at $21/hour with variable hours, up to 12 hours / week per placement location
- For the rest of 2023, we are currently seeking CFEs to work at the following locations:
  - **Anacostia Community Museum (ACM) Farm Stand**
    - Required Hours: Saturdays, 9am - 4pm, plus team meetings & scheduled trainings
    - This location is most easily reached by local busses, walking, or driving
    - This seasonal role will terminate no later than 11/30/23, with the possibility of extending or returning for the following season based on the organization’s needs and employee’s availability.
  - **Early Childcare Education (ECE) Sites**
    - Partner ECE sites are still being determined; we are seeking candidates excited to work in Wards 1, 5, 7, and/or 8
    - Working hours will occur Monday - Friday between 9am - 5pm; once per week CFEs will need to be available for virtual classes from 6-7pm
    - ECE locations will be most easily reached by local busses, walking, or driving
    - This seasonal role will terminate no later than 12/29/23, with the possibility of extending or returning for the following season based on organizations needs and employee's availability.
- All CFEs must also be able to work and attend meetings at the FRESHFARM office (1100 15th Street NW). Some work may also be done from home or within the community for promotional activities.
- All part-time employees receive 40 hours annual sick leave. This role is seasonal and is therefore not eligible for holiday or vacation leave or company benefits.

PHYSICAL & OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- **If assigned to a school-based location:** Completed Mandated Report training & DCPS Clearance, which includes background checks and drug test *(free, valid for 2 years)*
  - FRESHFARM staff will support CFEs in acquiring a training certificate & clearance
- Ability to work outside in all weather conditions and lift/move/transport up to 35 lbs
- Fully vaccinated against COVID-19; if in DCPS schools must also have first booster if/when eligible
- Must have access to a personal cell phone; $25/month stipend provided for use
HOW TO APPLY:

- To apply, please complete the application form at [bit.ly/FFcf2023](bit.ly/FFcf2023). Applications received by July 6th will be reviewed with priority.
- FRESHFARM aspires to respond to all candidates with a few weeks following their application.
- Those selected to advance should be prepared to attend a one-hour virtual interview and provide two professional references.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT

FRESHFARM is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to diversity and building an equitable and inclusive workplace for people of all backgrounds and experiences. **We encourage members of traditionally underrepresented groups to apply, including people of color, LGBTQ+ people, veterans, and people with disabilities.** We do not discriminate, and will take affirmative action measures to prevent discrimination against any employee or job applicant on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, religion, creed, disability, or veteran status in the following areas: employment, recruitment, or advertisements for employment; compensation, termination, upgrading, and promotions; ny other conditions of employment.