Detroit Black Community Food Security Network

Farmer and Maintenance Team Member Job Posting

The Detroit Black Community Food Security Network is seeking an enthusiastic, committed, and socially conscious staff member to join our team of farmers at D-Town Farm, a seven-acre organic farm in the City of Detroit's Rouge Park.

Summary:

The Farmer and Maintenance Team Member is a part-time, temporary, at-will employee of the Detroit Black Community Food Security Network (DBCFSN), a 501c3 non-profit organization. They will work no more than 20 hours per week from May 3 – November 21, 2021. They will be paid \$13.16 per hour. As a part-time employee, the Farmer is not eligible for benefits. The Farmer will be paid bi-weekly. All applicable City, State and Federal taxes will be deducted from the gross bi-weekly amount they earn. The Farmer and Maintenance Team Member must support DBCFSN's mission and social justice approach to food system change. An understanding of African-American history and culture is essential.

The Farmer and Maintenance Team Member reports to the Farm Manager and is responsible for:

- Actively participating in weekly farm operations meetings.
- Under the leadership of the Farm Manager, and with other Farmers and the Maintenance Manager, perform a variety of tasks necessary for the progress, maintenance and growth of the farm, including but not limited to:
 - o Hoophouse and field production.
 - o Working directly with the Maintenance Manager to assess and report the Farm's maintenance needs to the Farm Manager.
 - o Constructing, repairing, and troubleshooting maintenance projects on the Farm with the Maintenance Manager.
 - o Maintaining integrity of hoophouses.
 - o Irrigating crops.
 - o Harvesting and preparation of crops for markets.
 - o Maintaining farm landscaping and aesthetics.
 - o Conducting inventory, storage, maintenance and replacement of machinery, equipment and tools.
 - o Implementing animal and insect control measures.
 - o Maintaining records on planting, soil amendments, crop or soil diseases, and crop yields.

Please reply with a letter of interest and resume to nayomi cawthorne, farm manager at ncawthorne@dbcfsn.org with 'Maintenance Team Applicant' in the subject line. The deadline to apply is April 29, 2021. Qualified applicants will be contacted for a virtual interview.

Detroit Black Community Food Security Network is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization whose mission is to build self-reliance, food security and food justice in Detroit's Black community. Learn more at www.dbcfsn.org