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2012 DC Central Kitchen Summer Internship Program

Position Title: Truck Farm Intern and Educator

Department: Fresh Start and Main Kitchen

Supervisor: Matt Schnarr

Stipend/Credit:

\$1,200 stipend or credit

General Description:

DC Central Kitchen & The Campus Kitchens Project is seeking a responsible, passionate and experienced individual with an understanding of urban agriculture and growing in a variety of urban environments to work on the DC Truck Farm. This person should possess excellent educational skills, demonstrated experience with garden and nutrition-based education and experience with volunteer management.

Specific Responsibilities:

A. Assist with the design and implementation of educational projects utilizing the Truck Farm urban garden, a mobile educational garden that brings a rural experience to urban student, engaging students in thinking about where their food comes from. Educator will visit 3-4 Healthy Returns agencies and after school programs per week with the Truck Farm and conduct 1 hour lessons at each site.

B. Assist in the lesson planning, lesson instruction and lesson prep for Truck Farm visits. Lessons will incorporate the basic understanding of botany, urban agriculture, (key subjects include composting, planting, harvesting), and food systems. Projects should also incorporate lessons on how to make healthy food choices.

C. Implement continual Truck Farm garden maintenance including, planting, weeding, watering, etc.

D. Promote Truck Farm and Truck Farm Activities through events and social media. Specifically, write blog entries, promote via Facebook and Twitter.

Qualifications Needed:

- GED or higher;
- Driver's license and familiarity with city driving and operation of a small pick-up truck;
- Interest in local food systems, advocacy, and gardening;
- Experience with youth education and lesson planning ;
- Previous experience in education, agriculture, environmental studies, health and nutrition, or related fields;
- Familiarity with community gardens or urban agriculture;
- Strong people and leadership skills.
- Flexibility is a plus!

To Apply: Send cover letter, resume and writing sample to:
Matt Schnarr at mschnarr@campuskitchens.org