



GROUNDWORK
Buffalo

FRESH FOOD FELLOWS

Urban Agriculture Entrepreneurship Certification Program

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Groundwork Buffalo's Green Team is seeking young adults, ages 18-24, to be Fresh Food Fellows in a ***paid training, internship and certification program***. Through the Fresh Food Fellows program, you will develop job and leadership skills by working on a variety of community-based agriculture projects and hands-on learning experiences. This program will lead you through the construction, cultivation and operation of market gardens and farm stands through in-classroom workshops and hands-on growing.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Over the course of 4 months, Fresh Food Fellows will:

- Learn to grow, cultivate and sell produce in different city environments
- Manage and maintain a neighborhood garden and farm stand
- Work on operating urban farms and mobile markets
- Learn work readiness and transferable job skills
- Be introduced to careers in the food and agriculture industries

PROGRAM DETAILS AND SCHEDULE

To qualify for the training stipend and summer internship, you must successfully complete the Spring Training (May-June), ***a mandatory part of the program***.

Spring Training, May – June (TBD)

Orientation and 6 workshops at the Delavan-Grider Community Center.

- Orientation: TBD
- Workshops: TBD

Garden planting and maintenance at the Community Garden at Humber and East Delavan Avenues.

- Garden planting and maintenance: Wednesdays, 3 - 7:30pm on June 13, 20 and 27

A stipend will be provided upon completion of the workshops and June garden preparation.

Summer Internship, July 9 – August 16

- 20 hours / week, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
- \$11.50 / hour
- Rotation between the Community Garden Humber and East Delavan Avenues to cultivate and sell produce at the farm stand, and work with market employers at the African Heritage Food Cooperative and Groundwork Market Garden



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Job Qualifications:

- 18 – 24 years old.
- Interest in gardening, food sources, urban agriculture and / or environment.
- Interest in working to improve access to affordable and healthy food in Buffalo neighborhoods.
- Ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions with a positive outlook.
- Ability to stand for long durations and lift 50 pounds.
- Desire and ability to work with people in different capacities and environments (such as working as a member of a farm crew and in customer service).
- Professional and courteous attitude towards diverse and sensitive populations.
- Available to complete Spring Training workshops and garden preparation.
- Transportation to training and sites is the responsibility of the Crew Member.
- Bi-lingual applicants welcome.

If you have any questions about this program and position, please **contact Racheal Tarapacki at rtarapacki@gwbuffalo.org or 716.984-9516.**

Applications must be received by Monday, April 1st, 2019.

Email applications to: rtarapacki@gwbuffalo.org

Program Partners

This program is made possible through a partnership between the following organizations working to prepare the next generation of food/agriculture industry professionals:

Groundwork Buffalo (GWB): Green Team Program management and youth employment.

Field and Fork Network (FFN): classroom learning, delivery of the Fresh Food Fellows workshops and ongoing job counseling.

Grassroots Gardens (GGWNY): classroom learning and market garden / farm stand instruction.

Employer Partners: Internship placement at the African Heritage Food Cooperative Mobile Market and Groundwork Market Garden.

Delavan-Grider Community Center: The Center will provide classroom space, place to store lunches and tools and be the home base for the program.



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JOB APPLICATION
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Personal Information:

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ D.O.B _____

How did you hear about this position? _____

Why you want to serve as a Fresh Food Fellow? _____

Employment Experience: Start with your present or last job. Include military assignments and volunteer experience.

Employer 1 _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# _____ Supervisors Name _____

Job Title _____ Reason for leaving _____

Dates of Employment: From _____ To _____ Salary or Hourly wage _____

Employer 2 _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# _____ Supervisors Name _____

Job Title _____ Reason for leaving _____

Dates of Employment: From _____ To _____ Salary or Hourly wage _____

Employer 3 _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# _____ Supervisors Name _____

Job Title _____ Reason for leaving _____



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Dates of Employment: From _____ To _____ Salary or Hourly wage _____

Education:

	School Name	City and State	Dates Attended
High School			
College			
Other			

Please list any additional skills and training you would like us to know about.

Personal References: You may include employers, teachers, mentors (non-related) and one relative.

Name	Email	Phone	Relationship
1.			
2.			
3.			

I, (Applicant Name) _____ hereby verify that the information above is accurate and that I am eligible to work.

Applicant Signature

Date