Farm to School Summer Engagement Internship
REAP Food Group

Internship Description:
The Farm to School Summer Engagement Interns will work directly with REAP Farm to School staff and AmeriCorps members to promote and facilitate the USDA Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) operated by Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD). Interns will be responsible for developing and facilitating fun and educational activities at two SFSP community sites (Elver Park, Southdale Park, Leopold Park, and/or Centro Hispano). Interns will engage and educate children and families, and assist with program outreach, evaluation, and food service. This internship is an excellent opportunity for individuals interested in educating youth about healthy eating, local foods, and sustainability, and increasing food access for underserved youth. REAP has three Summer Engagement Internship positions available. We encourage individuals with close ties to MMSD schools and/or Madison neighborhoods to apply. Those who are multilingual or multicultural, members of racial/ethnic minority groups, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Responsibilities Include:
• Develop fun, educational farm to school activities for children ages 3-18 who attend REAP Summer Food sites in Madison
• Prepare materials and facilitate daily education activities
• Help promote local foods and farms through education activities and communications to school staff, families, and community members
• Assist with community outreach and program promotion in neighborhoods where the REAP Summer Food sites are located
• Assist with data collection to monitor and evaluate the SFSP
• Serve SFSP meals to children and families at REAP Summer Food sites
• Maintain SFSP daily meal records

Required Qualifications:
• Excellent oral communication skills
• Friendly, engaging, and warm personality
• Interest in inspiring healthy eating among youth and promoting local, sustainable agriculture
• Passion for working with children and families and interacting in a community setting
• Ability to work independently and manage one’s own time effectively in a flexible work setting
• Ability to provide one’s own transportation for internship purposes
• Flexible and adaptable to changing work conditions
Desired Qualifications:
- Experience in education, nutrition, environmental science, or agriculture
- Experience working with youth in an educational setting
- Experience interacting with socially, economically and/or ethnically diverse populations
- Knowledge of Federal Child Nutrition Programs, including the SFSP
- Experience with evaluation and/or data collection
- Comfortable driving our large food truck
- Bilingual in English and Spanish

Hours:
The internships will run from June through August 2018 and will require up to 20 hours per week for 10 weeks (early-June start date). The interns will need to be available from 10:30am-1:30pm Monday-Friday to lead educational programming during the 8 weeks of the SFSP, mid-June through mid-August. Additional hours can be spent on a flexible schedule at the REAP office or working remotely. Occasional evenings and weekends may be required.

Additional Information:
Interns will receive a stipend of $1,000 for the summer.

Application Procedure and Deadline:
Please submit the following to rossc@reapfoodgroup.org by April 13, 2018.
1. Cover letter stating your interest in the Summer Engagement Internship and how your qualifications align with this position
2. Resume
3. Contact information for two references

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