

Community Educator Job Announcement

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Job Title: Community Educator
Status: Part time to full time (depending on interest), Non-Exempt
Reports to: Community Education Program Manager
Location: Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands

Tilth Alliance Mission:

Tilth Alliance is helping to create an ecologically sound, socially just, and economically vital food system across Washington State. We advocate for agricultural programs and policies that benefit the organic and sustainable farming community. We believe that all people deserve access to healthy, nutritious food. For 40 years we have taught people to grow, prepare, and eat food in ways that sustain the environment, promote health, and support producers' ability to make a living. Changing the way we grow, cook and eat food has the potential to transform people's lives as well as the communities in which we live.

Position Description:

Tilth Alliance is looking for someone with a passion for building a healthy food community and experience working with community members, students and organizations in Rainier Beach. This position will help to create educational programs at Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands, and engage with community members of all ages in hands-on education. This position will be part of the Community Education Team at Tilth Alliance, which engages youth, adults and families in hands-on classes, volunteer and other learning opportunities in Seattle and King County, around growing food, environmental stewardship, and cooking and sharing food.

Responsibilities for this position include outreach and collaboration with the Rainier Beach community to coordinate and deliver educational programming at the Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands. This will include a mix of program coordination and direct education (classes, workshops, tours, service learning and volunteer opportunities) with youth, adults and families on topics ranging from organic vegetable gardening and wetlands restoration to food waste prevention and food preservation. This position will also support other Tilth Alliance educational programming in Seattle and King County, including the Soil and Water Stewardship volunteer training program, which empowers participants to strengthen their local watershed and food system.

Responsibilities:

- Connect with individuals and community groups in Rainier Beach to develop and coordinate educational programs
- Develop and deliver classes, workshops, tours, etc., and support programs for children, youth and adults, related to gardening, farming, environmental stewardship, cooking and nutrition, environmental justice and related topics
- Support programming and land management responsibilities, such as gardening and wetlands restoration, including leading small and large events with volunteers
- Support the Soil and Water Stewardship volunteer training program, including curriculum development, volunteer coordination and community partnership-building
- Coordinate and support other classes and community workshops in Seattle and King County related to growing food, environmental stewardship and similar topics

- Attend staff meetings, contribute to board reports and other data tracking, support events and advance equity and inclusion in the organization and in community partnerships

Desired Qualifications and Attributes:

- Passion for building a healthy food community
- Strong preference for experience working with community members, students and organizations in Rainier Beach
- Creativity and experience in developing, coordinating and delivering community-based educational programming for children, youth and/or adults
- Background in one or more relevant topics, such as gardening, farming, environmental restoration, cooking and nutrition, environmental justice, food justice, etc.
- Experience training, coordinating, and supervising volunteers
- Ability to speak languages other than English
- Demonstrated ability and success working with people from a variety of racial, cultural and economic backgrounds, with various lifestyles and sexual orientations
- Self-directed and able to work independently as well as with a team
- Ability to work on a variety of projects that may change based on community need, funding availability and organizational priority
- Able to work evenings and weekends
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications
- Able to transport self and materials to locations throughout Seattle and King County
- Ability to lift 50 pounds

Benefits and Compensation:

This is a part-time to full-time (depending on candidate preference), non-exempt position, with the opportunity for flexible scheduling. Benefits include medical, dental and vision insurance, a 401K (not matched), paid time-off and sick leave. This position will work primarily at Rainier Beach Urban Farm and Wetlands in South Seattle. Hourly compensation range is \$17 - \$21.

To Apply:

No phone calls please. Submit a letter of interest and resume as one document in PDF or Word format outlining 1) your experience with the qualifications listed above and 2) why you are interested in this position. Email all materials to hr@tilthalliance.org with the subject "Community Educator Application." This position is open until filled.

Tilth Alliance is proud to be an equal opportunity workplace dedicated to cultivating a diverse and inclusive work environment. We believe that diversity is essential to achieving our mission. Tilth Alliance is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate against any employee or applicant on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any classification protected by federal, state, or local law. Women, people of color, and individuals from under-represented communities are strongly encouraged to apply.