

Shiloh Farm Assistant

Organization Description: Grow Pittsburgh is an urban agriculture non-profit. Our mission is to teach people how to grow food and promote the benefits gardens bring to our neighborhoods. We believe access to locally-grown, chemical-free fruits and vegetables is a right, not a privilege. We envision the day when everyone in our city and region grows and eats fresh, local and healthy food.

Overview: Grow Pittsburgh is seeking a Farm Assistant for our sites at The Frick Art & Historical Center Greenhouse, Shiloh Farm, and Garden Dreams for the 2020 season. In the spring, the Farm Assistant will be focused on seedling production and our annual plant sales. After the conclusion of the seedling sale, the assistant will work in the vegetable gardens and help with weekly sales through our farm stand and restaurants. The assistant will also be involved with community engagement and education by working with workshares, tours, and volunteers.

Timeline: This is an 8 month long position starting March 9, 2020 and ending on October 30, 2020

Site Locations:

- Frick Art & Historical Center Greenhouse 7227 Reynolds Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208
 - One wing of historic greenhouse, site of annual seedling sale
- Shiloh Farm, Thomas Boulevard and Homewood Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15208
 ¹/₄ acre urban farm with weekly onsite farmstand
- Garden Dreams, 806 Holland Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15221
 - Indoor and outdoor seedling production, perennial gardens

Hours: 20 hours/week, from March 9 to October 30th, Tuesday through Friday, including weekends and special events. During farmstand season (June-Oct) Thursdays from noon-7PM are required.

Compensation: \$15/hour, paid sick time, mileage reimbursement, and membership with the Garden Resource Center.

Responsibilities: The Farm Assistant will report directly to the Greenhouse & Shiloh Farm Manager, Hanna Mosca. This position is responsible for helping implement Integrated Pest Management strategies and apply OMRI certified products to control pests and diseases according to organic standards for produce and seedling production. This position assists with full season vegetable and seedling production and at Frick Greenhouse, Shiloh Farm and Garden Dreams, including weeding, harvesting, processing for sale, and staffing a weekly farmstand.

Requirements: Applicants should have a strong interest in sustainable and organic agriculture, vegetable gardening and urban farming. One season of growing experience is required. Those interested should be self-motivated, punctual and should enjoy working with people. They should also possess a strong work ethic, ability to work in all weather conditions, detail oriented and work efficiently. Candidate must be able to work weekends and special events, must have a valid driver's license and must have transportation to work sites.

To Apply: Interested applicants should email a cover letter and resume to Silvan Goddin at: silvan@growpittsburgh.org with "Shiloh Farm Assistant" in the title. Applications should be sent no later than: February 17th.

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