



COMMUNITY FOOD INITIATIVES

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Community Gardens Internship

Position Title: Community Garden Volunteer Intern

Site: Office, 94 Columbus Rd Athens, OH. Multiple options of physical garden sites including Athens City Eastside, Nelsonville, Hope Drive, and Athens City Southside.

Purpose/Objective:

To help maintain our Community Garden sites. This includes both physically working outside in the gardens to grow produce to be donated to our Donation Station program, as well as assisting community gardeners in growing food for themselves.

Duties & Activities:

- Meet with community gardeners, CFI staff, and other volunteers at a community garden to help with garden maintenance (weeding, clearing paths, laying mulch, turning compost, watering, harvesting, etc.)
- Collect data from community members and analyze results
- Assist in filling open plots: both finding community members for them, and/or growing food on them for our Donation Station
- Assist with spring planning as well as seed starting/maintenance in greenhouse
- Design and create school garden kiosk materials (Nelsonville location only)

Qualifications:

- Interest in the following: garden/outdoor education, public health and/or nutrition, sustainable agriculture
- Gardening experience preferred but not required
- Accountability, reliability, and adaptability
- Ability to contribute individually as well as participate in a team
- Passion for addressing food insecurity and strengthening our community's connection with food
- Interest in learning about gardening throughout the seasons
- Reliable transportation required (or walking distance proximity to specific garden location)

Timeframe: 4-10 hours/week (flexible scheduling, workload is dependent on the season of the year)

Benefits:

- Meet inspiring people and contribute to your community in a very unique way
- Gain gardening, organizational, and community development experience with a local nonprofit
- Interact with a diverse range of community members
- Successful completion of internship will result in the provision of references
- CFI Membership benefits, including free entry to workshops, a community garden plot, and annual member meeting voting privileges

How to Apply: Please send your resume and a statement of interest to the Director of Garden Programs, Molly Gassaway, Molly@communityfoodinitiatives.org . CFI volunteer internships are unpaid and filled on a rolling basis. Internships are eligible for federal work study and class credit.