

Position Available: Build-A-Garden Worker

Who We Are

Since our founding in 1991, The Food Project has grown into an internationally recognized non-profit organization that works at the intersection of youth, food, and community. For over 29 years, youth and adults from diverse backgrounds have come together to produce healthy food for residents of the city and suburbs and build local, sustainable food systems. Each year, our youth crews work with our staff to farm on 70 acres in eastern Massachusetts in the suburban towns of Beverly, Lincoln, and Wenham and partner with our neighbors in Lynn and Boston's Dudley neighborhood to create the food system they imagine. We believe that food is a unique vehicle for creating personal and social change. Nothing else ties us so intimately to each other and to the planet we share, affecting our health, the climate, and culture. Moving into the future, our goal is to transform the food system into a more just, community-engaged model that supports food-security for all.

What We Seek

Build-A-Garden - The Food Project is seeking two (2) part-time, hourly Build-A-Garden Fellows to support our efforts to build and sustain our network of raised bed gardens in the Boston area - specifically Dorchester, Roxbury and Mattapan.

This position will report to the High Meadows Fellow. They will assist in the further development of our Build-A-Garden program while working together to coordinate, build, install and also provide maintenance of raised bed gardens throughout Boston. They will also design and implement an evaluation project for Build-A-Garden in conjunction for the Associate Director of Impact and Initiatives. This position will also entail coordinating community-oriented work, including food distribution in the Nubian neighborhood.

Qualifications

- Excited for and interested in connecting with community members in the Dorchester, Roxbury and Mattapan areas.
- Excited and interested in physically building raised beds in all sorts of weather.
- Familiar with the Google Suite and Zoom.
- Comfortable working independently in the virtual environment as well as in-person on a team.
- Excellent follow-through on assigned tasks and attention to detail.
- Experience with communicating in a professional environment.
- Experience coordinating in-person and/or virtual events preferred.
- Comfortable in speaking in front of and facilitating discussions for groups of people.
- Driver's license preferred and willingness to drive a pick truck and oversized vehicles for garden supplies.

Schedule

- Spring - March 7th to May 16th - Tuesdays 9 to 4 PM

Compensation

The salary for this job is \$18.00 per hour. Approximately 12 hours per week for 14 weeks.

Recruitment Process

We will review all submissions, identify viable candidates and contact those individuals selected to continue in the search process. The position will be filled when the desired candidate is found.

Please send resume and cover letter via email to: jobs@thefoodproject.org. In the subject line, write your name and the position for which you are applying, eg: "Jordan Smith – Alumni Fellow".

The Food Project is an Equal Opportunity Employer that is committed to creating an inclusive organization. We actively seek a diverse pool of candidates for this position.