



Member Position/Title: Real Food Farm Community Cooking Educator

Estimated Start and End Date: April 4, 2017 – September 26, 2017

Position Summary:

Real Food Farm is hiring two Community Cooking Educators for the 2017 season. Community Cooking Educators plan and lead cooking demonstrations throughout Baltimore. The goal of cooking demonstrations is to share easy and healthy ways to prepare and enjoy seasonal produce. Becoming a Community Cooking Educator is a great way to grow your skills as a chef and comfort level with public speaking!

The Community Cooking Educator position requires 20 hours per week during the length of their term.

Organization and Program Description:

Civic Works strengthens Baltimore's communities through education, skills development, and community service.

Civic Works' Real Food Farm is a fruit and vegetable farm in Northeast Baltimore. We operate at our home farm in Clifton Park and at our Perlman Place farm and community garden. We grow over 10 tons of fruits and vegetables to sell in East and West Baltimore every year. We also value sharing knowledge and skills about how to eat and grow good food.

Member Service Activities:

Regular duties will include:

- Communicating with community partners to schedule cooking demonstrations;
- Planning seasonal nutritious menus;
- Requesting produce from farm team weekly;
- Ordering and picking up additional supplies from Whole Foods monthly;
- Preparing and hosting cooking demonstrations ;
- Tracking data from participants as necessary.

Community Cooking Educators must bring a good attitude and help out as needed with on-farm duties, including:

- Help harvest and wash produce;
- Actively participate in team meetings;
- Teach other team members new skills and share your knowledge.

Desired Skills and Education:

- Be interested in food, farming, cooking, health, and/or the environment.
- Be an avid cook familiar with preparing healthy meals.
- Be willing to learn, teach, and share with your co-workers and community.
- Valid driver's license, clean driving record, and experience driving in Baltimore required.
- Past cooking, farming, and nutrition experience is a plus.

**Terms of Service:**

This position is a part-time 450 hour AmeriCorps term. The AmeriCorps member will receive training, a biweekly stipend of \$340 and an educational award of \$ 1,538.36 upon successful completion of service that can be used for college, trade school, or to repay qualified student loans. In order to be a Civic Works AmeriCorps member, you must be at least 17 years old; a U.S. Citizen, U.S. National, or "lawful permanent resident alien"; and able to pass a drug test and criminal and sex offender background check.

As an AmeriCorps member you may NOT participate in the following activities during service hours:

- *Political Advocacy:* AmeriCorps members cannot engage in political advocacy. They cannot advocate for legislation or for a political candidate in any way. They cannot conduct voter registration drives or lobby government officials at any level.
- *Religious Instruction:* AmeriCorps members cannot engage in religious instruction. They cannot conduct religious studies, prayer groups, pastoral counseling, or any other activity promoting or providing information about religion. This does not prohibit AmeriCorps members from participating in non-religious activities at religious meetings or services.
- *Abortion referrals:* AmeriCorps members cannot provide abortion services or referrals for receipt of such services.
- *Clerical Service:* Civic Works AmeriCorps members may engage in clerical activities, such as photocopying, stuffing envelopes or answering phones for their own project. They cannot engage in these activities in assisting another person.
- *Fund Raising:* Civic Works AmeriCorps members cannot seek in-kind donations and assist with fundraising events, mailings, or other activities, write grants (or portions of grants) or participate in capital fund raising activities or campaigns.

The list above is a summary, for detailed prohibited activities go to the following link:
http://www.nationalservice.gov/sites/default/files/documents/acprohibited_activities.pdf

How to Apply:

Send a cover letter and resume, OR a completed [application](#) to rffcommunity@civicworks.com with "Community Cooking Educator" in the subject line. Paper applications can be sent to Charlotte Proctor, Real Food Farm, 2701 St. Lo Drive, Baltimore, MD 21213.

Visit my.americorps.gov to login or create a myAmeriCorps account and search listings for "Real Food Farm." Complete and submit application to listing. If you have any problems using the website at all, please come to 2701 Saint Lo Drive, Baltimore, MD or call 443-531-8346 for assistance.

Applications are due by midnight on Tuesday, February 28, 2017. Interviews will take place beginning in March. The start date for this position is expected to be on April 3, 2017.