



Callout for Volunteer Project Assistants *Get Rooted! Youth Leadership Project*

Duration: 6 Months

Weekly time requirement: 5 hours/week

Application deadline: March 6, 2015

Start date: March 16, 2015

The voice and contributions of youth have an important place at the table where decisions about our food and environment are made. However, the information needed for them to weigh in are often not available or accessible. As part of the *Get Rooted!* Project Team, you will engage and mobilize like-minded individuals to address the root causes of food insecurity and build fair and sustainable systems.

We're looking for 1-2 motivated and energetic volunteers to join us in this endeavor.

Volunteer Job Description:

Project Coordination

- Assist in the planning and coordination of project activities, including: marketing and promotion, recruitment, workshops, and youth-led initiatives
- Assist in the planning and organizing of an orientation and (2) social events
- Establish relationships with volunteer programs from colleges, universities, clubs, civic groups, etc.
- Provide mentorship and support for youth participants
- Facilitate workshop discussion, activities, and youth-led initiatives
- Liaise with community partners and assist participants in completion of volunteer placement
- Participate in formal and informal project evaluations

Communications

- Take, send and post regular photos documenting our work, events and daily happenings
- Coordinate blog submissions from participants and collaborate with staff to produce content for a monthly newsletter

Perks:

- Networking opportunities with young activists, mentors, and local players in the food system
- On the job training to hone your facilitation, project development, coordination, and evaluation skills
- Personal development through knowledge and skills-based workshops
- Supported opportunities to take action on social and environmental justice
- Upon completion, a letter of recommendation for future professional engagements



Qualifications:

- Strong communication skills
- Professional and organized; able to meet deadlines and open to receiving feedback
- Strong team player and sense of responsibility
- Passionate about healthy, sustainable, and inclusive food systems
- Committed to the vision and goals of the Richmond Food Security Society
- Experience in facilitation and/or mentoring an asset

To Apply, please submit a resume and cover letter (include a few sentences about why you want to volunteer) to Lucinda Yeung at admin@richmondfoodsecurity.org by **Monday, March 9**. You may also reach Lucinda at 604-244-7377 if you have any questions about the posting.

About the Richmond Food Security Society and the *Get Rooted!* Project

We are a grassroots, non-profit organization dedicated to building healthy, fair and sustainable food systems. To find out what we have planned for 2015, including a bulk buying club and the first ever Food Charter for Richmond, please visit www.richmondfoodsecurity.org.

Supported by the Vancouver Foundation Youth Philanthropy Council, the *Get Rooted! Growing Youth Leaders in the Food Movement* project provides support, education, and opportunities for youth to become active agents of change in the food system.

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