

Get RootedYouth Leadership Program

Call for Applications!

Do you believe that every person has the right to access healthy, sustainable, and local food?

Do you believe that food is an important part of our lives and culture? Do you want to know how our food choices impact our local community and the environment? And most importantly, do you believe that you can make a difference?

If you are a youth living in Richmond, between 16-25 years old, and have a passion for food security advocacy, leadership, team-work, and igniting ideas into community actions, Get Rooted is the program for you!

The Get Rooted Youth Leadership Program provides Richmond youth with unique and fulfilling opportunities to:

- Attend expert-led educational workshops
- Volunteer with different community organizations
- Facilitate impactful, tangible community action projects

<u>You</u> will be fighting hunger and increasing local food production. You will be empowered to become food security advocates and educators in your community.

You will be a great candidate for Get Rooted if you are:

- 16-25 years old
- A resident of Richmond
- Passionate about improving local food systems and food security through social and environmental change
- A strong team player who embraces new ideas and diversity
- Excited about being connected with like-minded peers and mentors

Who are we?

The Richmond Food Security Society (RFSS) is a community-based non-profit organization whose mission is to grow a robust local food system through advocacy, education and initiatives aimed at fighting hunger and increasing food production in Richmond. *Healthy, sustainable and local food for all* – that is our vision.



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What will you take-away from this project?

- Valuable knowledge needed to weigh-in on current food-related social and environmental issues
- Transferable skills in leadership, teamwork, advocacy, problem-solving, critical thinking, project development, and communication
- Supported opportunities to put your ideas into work and take action
- Volunteer experience with various community agencies
- A certificate of leadership program completion
- A personalized reference letter upon request

What level of commitment is required?

The 2016 Get Rooted Youth Leadership Program will run from May 29 – Aug 28, 2016. During this time, you are expected and invited to:

- Attend weekly workshops and project activities (Sundays 1-4 PM)
- Volunteer at events you sign-up for on occasional weekdays
- Ask questions, explore concepts, be engaged, and take action on a food-security topic with your group

How much experience do I need?

Get Rooted will provide you with supported opportunities to learn and grow as an individual, no matter what your academic training or experiences are. Passion, zeal, and a willingness to learn are what we look for. Be ready to be challenged and grow your leadership roots!

Questions?

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions! You can reach us at programs@richmondfoodsecurity.org or call us at 604-244-7377.

To Apply:

Please email an electronic or scanned written copy of your completed application form (and your resume, optional but recommended) to programs@richmondfoodsecurity.org by 11:59 PM, May 11, 2016.

Please save your application in this format: GR2016_application_FirstName LastName Please save your resume in this format: GR2016 resume FistName LastName



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Application Form

Applicant Information					
First Name:	Last Name:	Age:			
Address:	City:	Postal Code:			
Primary Phone #:	Email:	DOB:			
Tell us a little bit about yourself (Check all that apply) I am a					
□ High school student	Grade:	Related courses taken:			
□ College/University student	Year: Program/Major:				
□ Young professional	Occupation:				
□ Volunteer	Organization(s):				
Member of a club(s) / organization(s)	Club(s) / Organization(s) Involved:				
I am interested in:					
□ Local Food Security	□ Global Food Security	☐ Health Equity			
☐ Migrant Justice	□ Leadership	□ Team Building			
□ Community Programs	□ Research	□ Project Planning			
□ Public Speaking	☐ Marketing	□ Digital Design			
□ Others (please list):					
3 strengths I possess:					
3 areas I want to improve on:					
Skills, certifications, and talents I possess (i.e. speak a second language, play a musical					
instrument, certified in First-Aid / FoodSafe, etc.):					



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Why do you want to participate in the Get Rooted Youth Leadership Program?
What does it mean for you to be learning and doing community work in Richmond?
What would you like to learn or achieve through this program?
Tell us about your experience(s) with Food Security and/or Community Engagement Projects
(i.e. personal experience, hobbies, family history, school projects, work/volunteer
experiences, etc.)
What does Food Security mean to you?



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If you could design a project focused on making our food system (the way we produce, process, package, eat, and dispose of food) more socially just and sustainable, what would it be? (describe briefly)

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Project:				
Rational:				
Method:				
Commitment and Availability				
The commitment for this program is from May 29 – Aug 28, 2016, on Sundays from 1-4 PM (3				
hour sessions), will you be available for all these session times?				
□ Yes				
□ No				
Are you planning to take time off during the duration of this program? (i.e. vacation, work,				
school, etc.)				
□ Yes				
 I will be away from to to While I am away, I will / will not (circle one) be able to work with my project 				
group remotely □ No				
I verify that the information I have provided in this application form is valid and true				
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***Applicant Signature: Date:				
***NOTE: If you are under 18 years of age, please also complete the "Get Rooted Parent & Guardian Informed Consent Form"				
Please submit an electronic or scanned written copy of the application form (and, optional but recommended, your resume) to programs@richmondfoodsecurity.org by 11:59 PM, May 11, 2016.				
Please save your application in this format: GR2016_application_FirstName LastName Please save your resume in this format: GR2016_resume_FistName LastName				
Interviews will be held May 16-20, 2016.				
Thank you for your interest in the 2016 Get Rooted Youth Leadership Program! ©				



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Parent & Guardian Informed Consent Form

(For Applicants Under 18 Years of Age)

Ра 	rticipant Last Name:	Participant First Name:			
	I consent to my child's participation in the Get Rooted Youth Leadership Program, from May 29 – August 28, 2016, understanding that there are potential risks associated with taking part in workshop activities, volunteerism, and project tasks.				
	I understand that program sessions and volunteering sites will be at various locations in Richmond. It is my/my child's responsibility to arrange transportation to/from session sites, and my child's responsibility to inform me of his/her whereabouts.				
	In the event that my child requires medical attention, I consent to my child receiving treatment from certified first aid staff, and/or transport to the nearest medical treatment facility if necessary.				
Me	edical conditions, allergies, dietary restrictions	s, medications relevant to my child:			
Em	nergency Contact #1:	Emergency Contact #2:			
Re	lationship:	Relationship:			
Ph	one #:	Phone #:			
Pa	rent / Guardian Name (please print):				
Pa	rent / Guardian Signature:	Date:			