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Job Opening: Farmers' Market Manager

About Us

Massaro Community Farm is a non-profit, certified organic farm with ~10 acres in cultivation, located in Woodbridge, CT, 10 minutes west of New Haven. 2018 will be our ninth year of production, growing over 50 types of vegetables and flowers. Massaro Farm CSA operates a 200-member CSA, sells to local restaurants and at three farmers' markets. We donate fresh produce weekly to hunger relief organizations and offer on-farm educational programs and events throughout the year. Find out more about us at www.massarofarm.org.

Job Description

Massaro Farm CSA seeks a Farmers' Market Manager for the 2018 growing season, from May 15 through December 15. Applicants should have high energy for and an interest in sustainable agriculture. The Market Manager will manage our market stall on Saturday and Sunday mornings in New Haven and potentially two weekday afternoons in other locations. Additional staff will support Market Manager for some market dates as needed. The Market Manager will also be involved in all aspects of the farm operation including but not limited to:

- harvesting, washing and packing produce for CSA, markets and restaurants
- greenhouse work – filling and seeding trays
- field and high tunnel work – transplanting, weeding, pruning, irrigating, installing/removing trellises, plastic mulches and row covers

Market Manager may also have the opportunity to assist with on-farm CSA distribution (Tuesdays and Fridays, 2:30-6:30, June-October), weekly restaurant deliveries, fresh produce donations and on-farm events.

Work Schedule

Market Manager must be able to work the weekend markets, which run from May-December, with Saturdays from 9-1 and Sundays from 10-1. All markets are just a short drive, 20 minutes or less. Typical on-farm work schedule is Monday-Friday, 7:30-4:30, with an hour break for lunch. Start and end times adjust slightly to follow the rhythm of the farm season, with fewer hours worked in April, November and December, depending on conditions. Exact schedule beyond market days can be negotiated, however working on Fridays is important for preparing for the weekend markets, and being involved with farm work during the week is essential to becoming a strong market manager and ambassador for the farm.

Expectations and Qualifications

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Previous work on vegetable farms, farmers' market or at a market stand is a plus, but is not necessary. A strong work ethic and the ability to work collaboratively with others are essential. Our farm is part of the community, so we strive to create an open, positive and fun work environment that makes the farm welcoming to all visitors. *Must commit to the full farm season, though exact start and end dates can be slightly adjusted.*

Preferred Skills, Qualities, Experience

- Clean driving record, comfortable driving a van
- Ability to work weekends, have a flexible schedule
- Outgoing, friendly demeanor, good customer service skills
- Ability to market produce, discuss recipes and cooking ideas
- Organized, creative, detail-oriented
- Ability to add up cost of items and handle cash
- Willing to work outdoors in variable weather conditions
- Able to lift 50 pounds
- Dependable, punctual, self-motivated, open to learning
- Experience working both independently and as part of a team
- Comfortable interacting with community members and farm visitors

Compensation

This is a full-time, seasonal position, from May 15-December 15, 2018, with potential to start working on the farm in April before markets begin. Hourly wage depends on experience, 30-40 hours per week. Includes worker's compensation. *There is no housing available.*

To Apply

Please send resume and cover letter via email to: steve@massarofarmcsa.org

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