

“HARVEST AND DELIVER” PROGRAM INTERNSHIP

Purpose: To help maintain a volunteer fruit picking program that supplies fresh produce to local food banks and kitchens that feed the homeless

Activities:

1. Pick fruit from a list of donor residences in the area
2. Supervise other volunteers
3. Deliver fruit to local food banks and kitchens
4. Participate in food banks and feeding the homeless and underserved as schedule permits or during “down time” between fruit harvests
5. Develop spreadsheet of donors, volunteers, and recipients; develop a log to record type and amt/lbs of fruit picked and delivered weekly to each recipient
6. Recruit students, scouts, youth programs, other volunteers as needed
7. Set own schedule as long as pre-set goals are met
8. During “down time” between fruit harvests:
 - a. Request donations of supplies from retailers to support program
 - b. Research other volunteer fruit-picking projects in the state and country
 - c. Research grants used to support this program i.e. cover cost to set up proper storage of fruit to maintain freshness; purchase supplies i.e. crates, ladders, picking tools
 - d. Develop a “how-to” manual to replicate this program in other locales

Requirements:

1. Available 10-12 hrs a week (some weekend hrs allowed if needed to meet school schedule)
2. Provide own transportation
3. At a minimum, available for a 60-90 minute time block on at least one of the following days: either Wednesday late afternoon around 4:30 p.m., or Thursday morning between 9 a.m. and noon, or Saturday morning between 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. to deliver fresh produce to larger food banks in the area
4. Reserve college van for the delivery (or use personal pick-up truck or SUV)
5. Deliver smaller quantities of fresh produce to kitchens and smaller food banks in local area during the week. Personal car is suitable.

What Is Provided:

1. Crates
2. Fruit picking tools
3. List of Donors and Recipients (and previous volunteers)
4. Storage area for produce

Note: Each intern and all volunteers sign a “Release of All Claims” form for the protection of the donors, volunteers, and program sponsor.

Number of Interns Per Semester: 1 to 3 (accountable to Mary Petit, project head)

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