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Nutrition Educator, 170 Farm Stand

Part-Time Seasonal Position Community Food Action

About New Settlement and Community Food Action:

New Settlement Apartments is a settlement house based in the Mt. Eden community of the Southwest Bronx, with a 27-year demonstrated commitment to increasing preparedness and access to safe and affordable housing, high-quality public and post-secondary education, expanding opportunities for healthy and active living, and fair and sustainable employment.

Community Food Action takes a comprehensive and multidisciplinary approach to food justice in our neighborhood. We embed hands-on food education into local institutions, develop community leadership, and create opportunities to grow, purchase, eat and compost good food. We aim to model community-responsive solutions to inequities in the food system.

The 170 Farm Stand is a vibrant youth-run market, offering a selection of high quality and fresh food from local farmers at fair and reasonable prices, education on the value of seasonal eating, and food scraps composting for Mt. Eden residents of all ages. Community Food Action is excited to carry on the 170 Farm Stand in 2018 after a successful inaugural season. At the Farm Stand, Community Food Action will be implementing Farmers' Markets for Kids, a nutrition program through the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

About the Nutrition Educator Position:

Community Food Action seeks one highly organized, self-motivated, and outgoing individual to work as part of a team in the preparation and delivery of Farmers' Markets for Kids at the 170 Farm Stand.

Responsibilities may include:

- Prepare for and implement four to six nutrition education sessions daily, to audience of children and parents
- Follow curriculum and ensure integrity of Farmers' Markets for Kids programming
- Be knowledgeable about origins and uses of products at market; be able to communicate knowledge about the benefits of seasonal eating to participants and customers
- Ensure necessary materials are on site each week and prepare educational materials
- Carry out and ensure proper transport and set-up of tent, equipment, cooking supplies and educational materials
- Collect surveys for all workshop participants and complete all paperwork fully and accurately
- Attend monthly office hours to participate in check-ins with supervisor

Qualifications include:

• A minimum of 15 college credit hours in nutrition required

- Experience educating or engaging with a low-income community-based setting required
- Bilingual English/Spanish speaker strongly preferred
- Experience conducting nutrition workshops preferred, ideally with children and adults
- Experience conducting nutrition workshops at farmers markets a plus
- Knowledge of or enthusiasm about food issues as related to healthy living and restoring food sovereignty to communities strongly preferred
- Dynamic personality and excellent presentation, interpersonal and communications skills.
- Experience working as part of a team preferred
- ServSafe certification or successful completion of the NYC Food Protection course a plus
- Places value on cultural awareness in a multi-ethnic community
- Bronx or Upper Manhattan native or resident preferred
- Physical Requirements: The position requires working outdoors in all weather conditions, standing and walking for extended periods, and carrying heavy and bulky items

This paid position is part-time and seasonal to coincide with the regional growing season (July - October). The position will start with two training days in June, with weekly hours beginning in July and ending in late October. The Lead Educator will work 9 hours per week during the 16-week Farmers' Market for Kids season. The Farm Stand's hours of operation are Wednesdays from 2:30 to 6:30pm.

How to Apply

The pay rate for this position starts at \$18/hour. The start date is June 28th, 2018.

Please send a pdf of your cover letter and resume to <u>communityfoodaction@newsettlement.org</u> with the subject line "Nutrition Educator Application: YOUR LAST NAME".

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