Guild House Farm/SOL Food Part-time Educator

Greener Partners (GP) seeks a dynamic, experienced and committed part-time educator to assist with growing and programming at Guild House Farm and SOL (Sustainable Organic Local) Food Project, our Philadelphia-based teen program. The ideal candidate will be an experienced gardener, an engaging educator, and have a passion for working with youth.

Guild House West is a 155-unit apartment building for low-income seniors in Lower North Philadelphia, managed by Friends Rehabilitation Program (FRP). FRP is a Quaker-based non-profit operating affordable housing programs and community development projects throughout Philadelphia. Greener Partners operates Guild House Farm as a community, food, and educational resource. The site’s 40 raised vegetable beds, small fruit orchard, resident community garden, and ornamental gardens offer outdoor green space, fresh produce, educational programs, and gardening opportunities to the residents of Guild House West, as well as to volunteer and student groups.

Based out of Guild House Farm, Greener Partners’ SOL (Sustainable, Organic, Local) Food Project is an afterschool and summer program for teens, in partnership with area high schools. Through hands-on education, intergenerational programming, and internship experience, teens learn about food justice, sustainable gardening, and seasonal cooking while building teamwork, leadership, and job skills. SOL Food is proud to be a part of the Get HYPE Philly Initiative, a partnership supporting teen leadership, health literacy, and job readiness in North Philadelphia.

Greener Partners’ mission is to create healthy communities through food, farms and education. Greener Partners operates a 120-acre CSA farm in Montgomery County, a wellness garden at Lankenau Medical Center, and an urban farm in North Philadelphia.

Responsibilities:

- Work with GP Education team to coordinate and implement SOL Food programming and internships
- Lead engaging and inspiring lessons focused on food justice, skill building, and intergenerational community engagement
- Assist with crop production: seeding, maintenance, harvesting, post-production
- Collaborate with partner schools and organizations
- Provide supervision to teen interns assisting with GP education programming
- Support outreach efforts about the program and develop community connections
- Gather relevant data for use in measuring program impact and outcomes
- Participate in other GP Education programming, as needed
- Other responsibilities, as needed
Qualifications:

• Experience working and connecting with youth
• An open mind, great listening skills, and strong verbal/written communication skills
• Familiarity with hands-on education, sustainable farming, farm/environmental education, and seasonal cooking
• Success working collaboratively and independently
• Well-organized and flexible
• Familiarity with Philadelphia neighborhoods and schools
• Passion for Greener Partners’ mission
• Spanish speaking a plus

This is a part-time, 20-hour/week position. Please send resume and cover letter with the position you are interested in to helen.nadel@greenerpartners.org