Organization Information

GrowNYC is a 50-year-old environmental nonprofit organization - helping more than 3 million New Yorkers by providing essential services and taking action to make NYC a livable city, one where every person can enjoy a healthier, more sustainable life. GrowNYC Programs include:

- Our network of Greenmarkets, Farmstands, Fresh Food Box sites, and the work of GrowNYC Wholesale ensure that all New Yorkers have access to the freshest, healthiest local food.
- We blanket the five boroughs with resources like food scrap collection to make waste reduction, recycling, and composting easy for all.
- We build and support community and school gardens through volunteer days, technical assistance, training, grants and more.
- We provide 70,000 children each year with programs that provide meaningful interactions with the natural environment.

About Farmer Assistance

Farmer Assistance is GrowNYC’s technical assistance program and provides both aspiring and established Greenmarket farmers with business technical assistance and training designed to ensure the long-term viability of participating farms and farmland. Technical assistance is provided through both in-house services and through the engagement of cost-shared consultants.

Bi-Lingual Beginning Farmer Coordinator (F/T)

The Beginning Farmer Program identifies, educates, and supports aspiring farmers to start their own sustainable farm businesses. Reporting to the Farmer Assistance Director, the Co-Coordinator will be responsible for the implementation of our 5-part Beginning Farmer Program.

Responsibilities (include, but are not limited to):

- Provide coordination of New York City Farm Beginnings and La Nueva Siembra (Hudson Valley-based) business training courses for aspiring farmers.
- Coordinate the Shoulder-to-Shoulder mentorship program, which connects aspiring farmers with established farmer mentors.
- Coordinate an annual series of 3-5 half-day skills workshops to bring farmers together with experts around priority needs.
- Provide Beginning Farmer client case management support for 5-10 Spanish-speaking beginning farmers each year, including managing projects related to accessing capital, land, and markets.
- Provide outward communication for Farmer Assistance, including planning, compiling, and sending monthly newsletter.
- Conduct outreach, intake, planning, and facilitation for aspiring farmers in Spanish and English.
- Maintain ongoing relationships with Beginning Farmer Program project partners, and build new relationships with values-aligned partners.

Applications

Apply for the Bi-Lingual Beginning Farmer Co-Coordinator position with a resume, a cover letter, and three references here.

Interviews will take place on a rolling basis.

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 12th.

For additional information, please see our website: grownyc.org

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Qualifications

- Spanish language fluency required
- Familiarity with farming and social justice in agriculture.
- Experience living and working in multicultural and multi-lingual spaces.
- Outstanding written and verbal communication skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills and willingness to work with people from diverse backgrounds in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, including trans* and nonbinary, sexual orientation, class, and religion.
- Able to work independently in administrative and program coordination tasks.
- Computer skills, including full professional proficiency with Microsoft Office, Zoom, Adobe Suite, and Constant Contact.
- Ability to travel to regional farms and farmers markets (a shared company vehicle is available for regional travel).
- Flexibility and willingness to occupy a position that may change in scope in accordance with the needs of the program and organization.
- Occasional weekend and weeknight work required.
- A valid driver’s license

Position Details

Schedule: The Beginning Farmer Coordinator is full-time, 35-40 hours per week. Occasional weekend and weeknight availability is required.

Due to COVID-19 this position is 100% remote temporarily.

Compensation: The full-time Bilingual Beginning Farmer Coordinator position pays $45,000 per year, and includes benefits (medical, dental, vision, life insurance, long term disability, pension plan, and paid time off).

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