



# EARTHWISE SOCIETY

*Cultivating Sustainable Communities*

## **POSITION: ORGANIC FARM PROGRAMS ASSISTANT**

Earthwise Society has been a not-for-profit leader in ecological land use and environmental education for over 30 years. The Society operates small-scale organic teaching farm and urban food garden programs at several sites in Delta, BC. We have an exciting opportunity for an energetic and articulate student who is interested in learning more about sustainable land use and food systems. Reporting to the Operations Coordinator, the farm program assistant will be responsible for:

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Assisting with farming activities at Earthwise Society's Demonstration Food Garden, Teaching Farm, and Don't Mow Grow programs. This includes field prep, planting, maintaining, and harvesting crops
- Assisting with the delivery of hands-on educational programs for school aged students and adults related to growing food and gardening
- Helping maintain records of planting, harvesting, and amendments
- Assist with marketing activities including harvesting crops, setting up market displays, running our farm cart, preparing Community Supported Agriculture boxes and other marketing initiatives
- Work with teams of volunteers in farm programs, ensure volunteer engagement and retention
- Participate in organic soil management activities including composting, soil amendment and cover cropping
- Ensure crops receive required water, implement irrigation and water conservation strategies
- Assist with outreach and special events in the community

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Post secondary education in Agriculture or Environmental Studies or similar field
- Good understanding of sustainability issues and ecological principles
- Good customer service and communication skills
- Enjoyment of outdoor physical work
- Canadian citizen or permanent resident (Service Canada requirement)

### **TERMS**

- This is a full-time position 35 hours per week paid at the rate of \$18.25/hr. Weekend and the occasional evening work will be required. The initial term of employment is for 9 weeks with the possibility of extension based on funding.

If interested, please submit a cover letter and resume to [education@earthwisesociety.bc.ca](mailto:education@earthwisesociety.bc.ca)

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