



Community Food Activator

Position Summary

The Community Food Activator helps increase local food security by helping community members obtain, prepare and dispose of food sustainably. Inspire community members to help create a more sustainable local food system through gardening, nutrition, recycling and composting activities.

The work requires knowledge and skills to design and implement food system related recreational activities for diverse groups and special populations. Personal contacts are with the public to provide recreational programs or information on recreational programs, and with other departments or community agencies to coordinate program activities or facilities use.

Responsibilities

- Organizes, plans, implements and leads recreation daily indoor/outdoor recreational activities such as: food gardening, cooking, food waste recycling, field trips and special events.
- Secures and maintains all materials and equipment for assigned programs.
- Supervises youth and adult recreation activities and maintains order and discipline.
- Coordinates seasonal programs or special activities for City-wide recreational programs and recreational programs for special populations.
- Lead volunteers and community partners assigned to their program area. Monitors performance of volunteers and community partners during these activities.
- Assure satisfactory program performance by training and supervising volunteers and staff assigned to the project.
- Solicits information from participants and communities on recreation needs/desires. Prepares recommendations for new program development or program revisions to meet community needs.
- Responds to comments, questions, and complaints from program participants. Plans and conducts special events.
- Solicits volunteer participation in supervising recreational activities and special events.
- Observes necessary precautions to secure the safety of recreation participants and spectators, and renders routine first aid in cases of minor injury. Responds according to Parks protocol in emergency situations.
- Maintains such records as attendance, program activities, volunteer participation and special events activities. Prepares weekly report of all activities.
- Contribute to public awareness of programs and services by making public presentations, designing brochures, and developing other promotional materials as appropriate.





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Minimum Qualifications

- Requires one year experience in a community-based recreation program and an associate degree in Recreation, Therapeutic Recreation, or related field (or a combination of education and/or training and/or experience which provides an equivalent background required to perform the work of the class.)
- Minimum of two years of work experience in urban agriculture, or in the propagation and maintenance of flowers, plants, shrubs, and trees at a conservatory, greenhouse, or nursery (Combinations of education, training and experience will be evaluated on an individual basis for comparability).
- Occasionally lift, carry, push, pull up to 30 pounds

Desired Qualifications

- Has a preventative approach to safety while working with teens
- Experience/interest in asset-based community development
- Basic knowledge of youth program development
- Strong oral communication skills, including public speaking skills
- Desire/ability to work collaboratively with teens of diverse backgrounds
- Washington State Food Worker's Permit
- First Aid/CPR certification

Job Location: Seattle, Wa

Employment Type: Service Contract. Contractor will be paid based upon deliverable.

Duration: Up to five months

Start Date: ASAP

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