

June 6, 2012



Farm Trip Internship

Just Food:

Just Food believes that a just, local, sustainable food system is essential for New York City to thrive. We envision a future where there's a CSA on every block, urban farms are as common as skyscrapers, and fresh food is universally accessible. Since 1995, Just Food has connected local residents, farms, and organizations with the resources and support they need to grow, cook, and find good food. We're working with communities to implement change, raise awareness and inspire action.

Background:

This year, in partnership with United Way of NYC, we will supply 48 food pantries in NYC with fresh vegetables from local farms through **Local Produce Link** (part of Just Food's Fresh Food for All program). As a part of Local Produce Link, we organize trips for food pantry staff, volunteers and guests to visit their farm. Our farm trips are full day events—we travel to the farm by bus, and then once on the farm, we have a picnic lunch together, tour the farm on foot or on a wagon ride, and do a project together. Please visit our website to learn more about Local Produce Link farm trips:

<http://justfood.org/fresh-food-all/farm-visits>

Intern Responsibilities:

- ❖ Help create outreach and informational materials
- ❖ Conduct outreach to food pantry volunteers and guests with Just Food and United Way of NYC staff
- ❖ Assist with sign-ups and reminder phone calls
- ❖ Attend farm trips—on the day of the trip, we need a volunteer who can take photographs, help organize snacks and supplies, assist us to supervise visitors once on the farm, help facilitate educational activities, and be there to enjoy the day with us!
- ❖ Work with Just Food staff to conduct and analyze farm trip surveys
- ❖ Organize farm trip photos

Qualifications:

- Enthusiastic about educating diverse communities about food and farming issues
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Experience working with low-income community members and interest in food justice
- Exhibit self-motivation, creativity and direction
- Reliable, punctual, and able to work independently as well as collaboratively
- Open availability for most or all of the farm trip dates (TBD)
- Available for 10-15 hours per week to attend farm trips, assist with outreach at food pantries, make farm trip reminder calls, organize photos, and analyze farm trip surveys

- **Spanish language proficiency is very helpful!**

Timeframe:

July – October, 2012

Compensation:

- Unpaid; college credit may be available
- Opportunity to gain new skills
- Opportunity to work with dynamic non-profit focused on community-driven approach and food justice
- Opportunity to build professional network

This position reports to Rachelle Faroul, Fresh Food for All Coordinator. To apply, please submit a brief cover letter describing your interest in the internship and a resume no later than Friday, June 22, 2012 to: rachelle@justfood.org and ashley@justfood.org with the subject line "Farm Trip Internship"

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information or with questions.