

City Harvest Nutrition Educator, Staten Island

City Harvest is seeking a dynamic person committed to working with residents and organizations in Staten Island to provide quality nutrition and physical activity education classes, workshops and programs. The Staten Island Nutrition Educator will be responsible for successfully implementing the Eat Well Play Hard curriculum in up to eight child care centers (two+ days a week), and running a variety of nutrition education courses and workshops (the remainder of the week) for families, adults and/or youth at local providers, community and senior centers, schools and other community settings. This is a City Harvest position. For the Eat Well Play Hard portion, the position will report to the Healthy Eating Unit in the Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Tobacco Control at the NYC DOHMH. For the other work, the position will report to the Nutrition Education Department at City Harvest. Filling the position is pending receipt of grant funds, but when funded, will for two years.

Founded in 1982 as the world's first food rescue organization, City Harvest is dedicated to helping feed the nearly 1.4 million New Yorkers facing hunger. This year, City Harvest will collect 55 million pounds of excess food from restaurants, grocers, bakeries, manufacturers, and farms, and deliver it free of charge to 500 community food programs across the city. In addition to helping meet the immediate need for food, City Harvest takes a long-term approach to fighting hunger with the *Healthy Neighborhoods Initiative*, four programs which work with local residents and community groups to increase local availability of affordable fruits and vegetables, as well as practical nutrition education and resources to maintain a wholesome, food-secure diet.

The Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Tobacco Control within the NYC Dep't of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) spearheads programs and initiatives to reduce the burden of chronic diseases and to address the underlying risk factors that lead to them, such as poor nutrition, physical inactivity and tobacco use. The Bureau promotes healthful environment and systems changes in the food and physical environment and develops programs to promote physical activity, healthy eating and smoking cessation. The Bureau also develops innovative strategies to convey critical health messages to the public.

Major responsibilities:

- I. Eat Well Play Hard (two+ days a week):
 - Teach nutrition education classes to 3-5 year olds, their caregivers, and child care center staff in up to eight (8) child care centers in Staten Island using the Eat Well Play Hard in Child Care Settings curriculum.
 - Market classes to staff and caregivers with materials provided.
 - Prepare and maintain supplies and materials required for classes.
 - Plan, prepare and purchase food for classes.
 - Maintain records of program expenditures according to program protocol.
 - Follow evaluation protocol.
 - Conduct data entry for all classes conducted.
 - Provide technical assistance to staff at child care centers and link centers to relevant NYC DOHMH resources.
 - Attend regular staff meetings at DOHMH offices located in Long Island City, Queens either in person or through dial-in.

- II. Cooking Matters courses and store tours, Just Say Yes workshops and/or cooking demonstrations (three days a week):
 - Set up, schedule, coordinate, and lead nutrition education (NE) courses, store tours and other NE activities, and supermarket tours for constituents of local providers, community centers and schools.

- Recruit and train interns and volunteers in collaboration with City Harvest Volunteer Services and Nutrition Education department to assist and/or lead NE activities in Staten Island.
- Maintain and grow relationships with existing and new community partners, including tracking contact information in CRM and connecting them to other HNI programs, additional community organizations and resources.
- Work with partners on outreach and innovative program design to reach new participants and attract new community partners.
- Ensure timely provision of supplies and food purchasing for NE activities, and carefully track and report expenditures and receipts as required.
- Keep excellent attendance records and assist with evaluation and other HNI programs, such as Fruit Bowl and Community Engagement, as time and necessity permit.
- Serve as NE Department and HNI team member, participating in Community Impact, NE department and other City Harvest meetings, and work with colleagues and community partners to developing new program ideas, partnerships and projects to benefit Staten Island.

Required Qualifications and Skills

- Must be professionally qualified as a Registered Dietitian
- Previous experience and proven expertise providing nutrition education in group settings
- Previous experience working with children and strong interest in working with all age groups
- Flexible, outgoing, detail-oriented and able to work independently and productively without direct supervision
- Must own or have full-time work access to a car
- Committed to improving the health of low-income Staten Island residents
- Living on Staten Island – strongly preferred
- Fluency in Spanish or other languages than English – a plus
- Serv Safe or related food safety certification – a plus

There are many fantastic benefits to a career at City Harvest. In addition to working to effect positive change in the lives of thousands of hungry New Yorkers, City Harvest offers its employees a business casual work and learning environment with generous benefits including medical, dental, life insurance, short- and long-term disability insurance, 403(b) and generous paid time off. Aside from a competitive salary and excellent benefits, you will enjoy a team-oriented and community based atmosphere while you work.

At City Harvest, we enjoy working in a team-based environment and value the benefits of a diversified workplace. Women, people of color and other underrepresented minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. City Harvest is an equal employment opportunity employer and does not discriminate based on age, citizenship, color, creed, physical or mental disability, ethnicity, family responsibilities, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, marital status, race, religion, veteran status or other unlawful factors with respect to unemployment. City Harvest is committed to the maintenance of a drug-free workplace and ensuring compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988. Qualified candidates reflect the cultural identity and ethnicity of the communities where we work. Please submit a cover letter explaining your interest in this position and resume to:

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