Food for Lane County
GrassRoots Garden Internship Position

Position: GrassRoots Garden Intern
Responsible To: Merry Bradley, GrassRoots Garden Coordinator
Hours per week: 8-20 hours/week, very flexible, all terms

The GrassRoots Garden is a program of FOOD for Lane County with the mission of alleviating hunger by growing food, building skills and nurturing community. We provide our community access to fresh produce and gardening skills as well as nutrition education and produce appreciation.

In the garden, community members develop and share skills and resources; and people connect to the land and their community. Several interns are welcome each term to participate in garden and outdoor kitchen activities.

Potential Internship Tasks:
• Participating in all maintenance tasks in the garden: bed preparation, planting, harvesting, cultivating
• Working with adult volunteers on garden maintenance and special projects
• Cooking nutritious lunches from garden produce
• Learning, teaching and modeling meal planning, food prep and nutrition
• Recording and photographing recipes for online cookbook
• Learning, teaching and modeling organic gardening practices and techniques

Skills Gained:
Interns will gain skills and experience in gardening, leading individuals and groups in garden tasks, participating in the kitchen and community building. Students can choose if they want to specialize in certain areas.

Desired Qualifications:
• Interest or experience in organic gardening, food and outdoor work
• Interest or experience in cooking and nutrition
• Interest or experience in working with youth and community
• Good social skills
• Organized and reliable

Hours and schedules are flexible according to students’ needs. We ask students to commit a minimum of one full day or two half days to the internship. Academic credit is possible with advisor’s permission.

To apply: Submit a resume, a letter detailing your interests and availability and one reference to Jen Anonia at gardens@foodforlanecounty.org, FOOD for Lane County, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402. 541-343-2822, x314.