



Community Work Initiative 2015 – Agricultural Apprenticeships

Greenagers' Agricultural Apprenticeship Program connects local youth with local farms for paid work and mentorship. Eligible youth are between the ages of 15 and 24 and are interested in agricultural work.

Greenagers' Agricultural Apprenticeships are part of Greenagers' Community Work Initiative, a summer employment program for local youth. This program focuses on providing respectful and skillful work on local farms. In 2014, the Greenagers Agricultural Apprenticeship Program consisted of eight youth working on eight farms in Southern Berkshire County. The Coordinator for this program is Matt Downing.

Eligible youth are aged 15-24 and are interested in farming. On average, participants work 16-40 hours per week during the summer. Greenagers staff, the apprenticeship supervisor, and the apprentice meet at the beginning of the season to determine a work schedule. Apprentices receive \$9/hr.

Some of the skills involved include plant cultivation and harvesting, watering, tractor work, hand tool work, pest and disease control and identification, fencing, herding, and more. Apprentices are not expected to have these skills, but you are expected to be willing to learn them. There will be no power tool operation by minors under age 16.

All Agriculture Apprentices are expected to attend at least one educational event related to agriculture this summer. Greenagers covers registration fees and transportation.

Finally, we expect, throughout, a consistent work ethic, respectfulness toward the supervisor and the farm, and a positive, cheery attitude.

Applications may be mailed/delivered to the address below or emailed to office@greenagers.org by June 1st.

Thank you for considering the Greenagers Farm Apprenticeships; we welcome your application!



Work Crew Application 2015 – Agricultural Apprenticeships

Please return to Greenagers on or before June 1st, 2015

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (h) _____

(c) _____

Email: _____ Facebook? Y/N

SSN#: _____

Date of birth: _____ School: _____

Name of one legal guardian:

*if applicant is 18 or older write N/A

Guardian's home phone: _____ Cell: _____

How did you hear about the Greenagers Farm Apprenticeships Program?



What is your past work experience? (attach a résumé if you have one)

Other than enjoying the outdoors, why do you want to work with Greenagers?

What skills do you bring to the job? What skills do you hope to learn? If you have worked for Greenagers in the past, how do you hope to improve this year?

What type of farming are you most interested in? Is there a particular farm you would like to work with?

Give your thoughts on the connections between farming and our community (use an additional page if necessary).