

# 2025 Urban Farm High School Internship

Grow It Green Morristown is seeking committed, hands-on high school interns to assist with the cultivation of produce and creation of sustainable, local food systems at the Urban Farm (31 Hazel Street in Morristown). The cultivated area of our farm is approximately 1-acre. All of our farm practices follow organic recommendations and emphasize overall sustainability. We plant over 30 different varieties of vegetables and maximize our growing space using companion planting techniques and many rounds of succession planting using practices with diverse, indigenous roots.



The Urban Farm is an educational center for the community and the 5,200 children of the Morris School District, making this job opportunity distinct from many typical farm jobs. This job requires self-confidence and a professional attitude. We operate a Farm Stand every Thursday and Saturday and grow 24,000 of pounds of produce annual to provide to local residents, food banks and soup kitchens.

The Urban Farm Interns will learn about and be responsible for assisting in food production, soil management, harvesting and helping coordinate the distribution of produce to Grow It Green Morristown's various partners. Interns should desire to learn more about growing food and stewardship of land, as well as have a desire to work with the public. We are a community oriented nonprofit, and expect the intern to assist at programs and events.

### **Duties include:**

- Hands on physical labor
- Basic care, weeding, and tending of a large-scale vegetable garden
- Use of farm tools such as pruners, wheelbarrows, and wiggle hoes
- Must be able to lift at least 30 lbs. to carry items such as vegetable harvest bins full of produce and push things such as wheelbarrows of compost

## Applicants must possess skills representative of mature, positive attitude:



- Dependable, organized, adaptable
- Can be flexible due to weather constraints (i.e. severe weather may change the work schedule)
- Personable and enjoys working with all kinds of people
- Works as a member of a team
- Strong work ethic and ability to work independently
- Comes prepared daily to work (water, sunscreen, lunch on Saturdays, appropriate attire)

### Other considerations:

- Must be a student enrolled in high school, or have just completed your senior year
- Work can sometimes be off-site, at our community garden or Greenhouse
- Spanish fluency is a plus

## Job Schedule:

This is a paid part-time seasonal position (\$14.53/hr.), with work available from June through late August some candidates can work till October up to 13 hours per week. Our farm operates Tuesday through Saturday. During the summer, intern must work on Tuesdays and Thursdays (8 a.m. – noon) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.) each week. For applicants continuing in fall, weekday hours are in the afternoon. The deadline for applicants is Sunday, May 22, 2025.

This position is an outdoor job and requires the ability to work in a variety of weather conditions, including very hot, very rainy, and humid weather. On days where outdoor work is impossible due to severe weather, we will reschedule work hours for a different day of the week.

We will consider multiple applicants to cover our needs. On your application, please clearly state vacation dates you are NOT available to work. Availability throughout the season will be an important factor as we need commitment for the summer months.

Please use this <u>link</u> to submit your application. Position directly reports to Farmer Shaun, Director of Agriculture & Education.