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Urban Agriculture Coordinator WildRoots Summer Work Program

2 Positions will be funded by grants and are contingent on funding approval. Open to those ages 18-30.

Location: Winnipeg Office (500 Shaftesbury Blvd.)

Workweek: Monday-Friday (with the occasional Saturday)

Workterm: May-August (16 weeks) 35 hrs/week

Wage: \$16.30/hr

Closing Date: March 31, 2024

JOB DESCRIPTION

Working with in A Rocha Manitoba office in partnership with the Manitoba Program Coordinator, the Urban Agriculture co-ordinator is responsible for the planning, implementation, and upkeep of the Just Growing gardens. The co-ordinator is also responsible for planning and executing community events in partnership with Metanoia Farmers Cooperative on urban sustainable agriculture and conservation. The coordinator will work in a team with the education program coordinators to connect children with the Just Growing gardens and Metanoia farm. In addition, the coordinator may be called on to assist with watering and upkeep at the Vimy Ridge Community Garden. The main purpose of this role is to empower and equip young adults with the skills of urban agriculture, fostering a connection with the A Rocha Manitoba community, and promoting sustainable practices rooted in Christian principles to care for creation.

This role is part of A Rocha Manitoba's *WildRoots Summer Work Program*. Alongside practical work experience participants can expect to develop leadership skills, learn about nature conservation, participate in team rhythms and retreats, connect with the wider A Rocha network, and receive vocational training. To learn more about the WildRoots Program head to <u>arocha.ca/wildroots</u>.

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Plan and implement the Just Growing garden beds at St. Margaret's Anglican Church
- In cooperation with the Metanoia Farmers and the Manitoba Program Manager plan public workshops relating to urban agriculture and conservation
- Working with the Conservation Science Coordinator coordinate bi-weekly bird walks around CMU and the Assiniboine Forest
- Keep track of event RSVPs
- Write blog posts related to food and agriculture and creation care
- Coordinate with the environmental educators to connect children to the Just Growing garden and Metanoia Farm
- Connect with community partners for food distribution

QUALIFICATIONS

- Embodies A Rocha Canada's Vision, Commitments and Core Values
- Experience and/or education in agriculture/conservation
- Experience working with children
- Ability to work outdoors in a variety of weather conditions
- Demonstrated ability to communicate and connect well with new people

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- Personal initiative and able to manage details
- Time-management skills
- · Willingness to learn

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person with official refugee status
- Criminal record check and Vulnerable Sector check required
- Must be a youth between 16-30 years of age

ASSETS

- Knowledge of local environmental concerns
- Experience in event planning and/or curriculum development
- Experience leading programs for groups of people (summer camp, service club etc)
- First Aid and CPR
- · Access to transportation

A ROCHA CANADA MISSION, VISION, COMMITMENTS

A Rocha is an international network of Christian nature conservation organizations. Our mission is to live out God's calling to care for creation and equip others to do likewise. We envision a hope filled world where communities flourish as people and nature thrive together.

A Rocha International 5 Commitments:

- Christian We follow Jesus Christ, who created the world and calls us to care for it.
- Conservation We protect and restore nature and are committed to local places and people over the long term.
- Community We invest in good relationships through our commitment to God, one another and the wider creation.
- Cultural Diversity We celebrate the insights, perspectives and solutions offered by our diverse cultures.
- Collaboration We seek to work with anyone who shares our vision.

TO APPLY

- Email, as a single PDF document, a cover letter and resume clearly detailing your experience and qualifications for this position to **Zoe Matties (manitoba@arocha.ca)**
- Ensure your email subject line clearly refers to the Urban Agriculture and Conservation Coordinator Position.
- Ensure your name and the position title are included in the PDF file name.
- Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.

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