



## Employment Opportunity

### **Youth Garden & Nutrition Coordinator**

Part-time 10-13 Hours/Week Hourly

Application Deadline: May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Hourly Rate: \$15.51 AA/EOE

#### **Position Purpose:**

Do you love to garden with kids? Do you want to be part of a team that helps families connect with healthy food, building community and the natural environment? Are you ready to be challenged and gain new skills? If so, we want you to join our team and grow with us.

Youth programming at the East Madison Community Center is a place for youth from all backgrounds to play, socialize, learn and grow. The Youth Garden & Nutrition Coordinator is expected to lead in organizing, supervising, and implementing gardening and nutrition programming that supports the goals of EMCC's afterschool programs.

We are seeking to hire an educator who is enthusiastic and skilled at using gardens to teach children science, explore food, environmental studies and more.

#### **Specific Duties and Responsibilities:**

- **Teach Garden Club** - Plan and implement dynamic hands-on lessons for students using the EMCC Kids' garden weekly. May involve gardening, cooking, nutrition, food justice, environmental education, and related themes.
- Involvement in all **preparatory work for our garden and nutrition educational programs**, including activity setup and clean-up, developing educational materials, and program debriefs
- **Assist EMCC staff with planning and overseeing volunteer activities** in the garden. Maintenance tasks may include planting, harvesting, weeding, laying wood chips, repairing beds, adding compost, etc. (Volunteer coordination will follow COVID safety guidelines)
- **Obtain materials for maintenance** (compost, woodchips, plant starts, etc.). Much of this prep work has already been completed for the 2021 season.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Experience working with diverse communities, and ability to adapt garden and nutrition education to meet multicultural communities
- Well-organized and detail-oriented
- Open and direct communicator, asks questions and works well with a team
- Basic knowledge of growing food in the regional climate
- Experience working with youth ages 6-18

#### **Preferences:**

- Coursework in Nutrition, Botany, Education, Human Development, or related field
- Ability to speak and write Hmong or other language prevalent in the Madison area

#### **Other Requirements:**

- 18 years of age or older
- High School graduate, Bachelors preferred
- Occasional availability for evening and weekend events
- Ability to pass background check

**To Apply:** Please send current resume/list of work experience and a one page cover letter detailing your interest in the position to [rmconnell@eastmadisoncc.org](mailto:rmconnell@eastmadisoncc.org) by May 7th. Please put "Youth Garden & Nutrition Coordinator" in the subject line. We will notify candidates regarding next steps and in-person interviews. Questions? Contact Regina McConnell at [rmconnell@eastmadisoncc.org](mailto:rmconnell@eastmadisoncc.org).