

TITLE: Food Access & Garden Engagement Intern LOCATION: Salt Lake City, UT START DATE: September 2018 DURATION: 3-4 months

BACKGROUND: Founded in 1933, the International Rescue Committee is a leading, nonsectarian, non- profit organization providing emergency relief, protection, rehabilitation assistance, resettlement services, and advocacy for refugees and victims of oppression or violent conflict. Domestically, our 29 offices across the U.S. ensure new arrivals have food, shelter, and clothing, and work with refugees to help them gain self-sufficiency.

SCOPE OF INTERN WORK: New Roots brings refugees together to share their agricultural skills and connect with their new home and community by placing families in community garden sites across Salt Lake Valley. In addition to creating the opportunity to produce supplementary food, community gardens can also act as access points for health, nutrition, and other educational services. The Food Access & Garden Engagement Intern will work across New Roots garden sites to assist with community engagement programming and promote food access opportunities.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- . Assist with development of materials and curriculum and facilitate logistics for public workshops that cover topics on nutrition, healthy eating, gardening basics, and wellbeing
- . Assist in design and implementation of a youth garden program in collaboration with Head Start and/or local community center youth groups
- . Assist in gardener communications and coordination of garden-based events to facilitate cross-cultural interaction
- . Assist in development and management of garden infrastructure
- . Collect information on local community needs and promote garden activities through door-to-door outreach and surveying
- . Evaluate effectiveness of community programming on increasing healthy food access, engaging neighborhood residents, and changing food consumption behavior

REQUIREMENTS:

- . Background in nutrition and/or health promotion, and gardening experience preferred
- . Motivated, creative, flexible, and able to work independently
- . Strong organization and communication skills and ability to work as part of a team
- . Excellent interpersonal skills, comfortable working with people from diverse backgrounds
- . Valid driver's license, active insurance policy and access to reliable transportation

POSITION LOGISTICS:

- . Length of Service: 3-4 months
- . Compensation: This is an *unpaid* internship
- . Hours: 15-20 hours per week, flexible schedule including some evenings and Saturdays
- . Supervisor: Sarah Adams, New Roots Community Garden Program Coordinator



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