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Photographer Volunteer

Description

The Homeless Garden Project (HGP), founded in 1990 and based in Santa Cruz, California, provides job training, transitional employment and support services to people experiencing homelessness. In complement, HGP operates a thriving community education and volunteer program serving more than 2,000 people each year. Our programs take place on our 3.5 acre Organic farm and related social enterprises.

We are seeking a photographer to capture photos at our farm, in our downtown store, and at offsite locations, as well photos that capture the core of our programs which serve folks experiencing homelessness. Telling our story is a core part of our mission, and our farm and programs lend themselves to impactful storytelling through photography.

This position will provide an ideal experience for someone interested in making a big impact in a growing organization that works at the nexus of community building, education and human services.

Responsibilities

- Attend and capture photos at events, including First Fridays, Sustain Suppers, volunteer and community engagement events, etc.
- Capture photos of our daily programming, telling the story of our programs and helping us share the stories of trainees, volunteers, and staff involved in our work
- Capture photos to be used for project-specific needs, such as our Annual Report, etc.
- Store and share images securely and in a timely way

Qualifications

- Experience taking professional quality photographs
- Own a digital camera
- Creativity - you have a good eye and artistic/compositional sense with ideas for eye catching images
- IT literacy
- Knowledge of photo editing software such as Adobe Photoshop is desirable but not essential
- Flexibility and ability to work to tight deadlines
- Sensitivity and awareness of comfort level of subjects being photographed
- Self-motivated, detail-oriented individual
- Dependability, flexibility and ability to maintain confidentiality
- Excellent ethical standards and personal integrity



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Intern Will Gain:

- A platform to showcase your photography skills
- Opportunity to use your skills and passion to support others, and learn and develop new skills
- Opportunity to take on a new challenge and meet new people
- Training and support to successfully carry out your role
- Experience supporting Homeless Garden Project donor cultivation and special events, and overall mission
- Opportunities to interact with professionals in both nonprofit and for-profit sector

Work Schedule/Time Commitment

Flexible - varies depending on needs of the Homeless Garden Project and your availability. As much notice as possible will be given before any events.

Start Date: Ongoing

Compensation

This is a volunteer unpaid position. We encourage you to use this role to gain course credit or seek out grants with a college or other institution, if that is an option. Please include this information when you apply.

Application Procedure and Deadlines

Send your resume and a brief description of why you are interested in this role to Keren Reichler at kerenR@homelessgardenproject.org. Applications accepted on a rolling basis until position is filled.

People of color, transgender and gender-nonconforming people, women, people with abilities in multiple languages, immigrants, and people living with disabilities are encouraged to apply.