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Outdoor Education Internship

Are you passionate about spending time outside? Do you love gardening or wildlife and want to share that joy with others? We are seeking interns to help with our farm-based education programs!

The Resource Conservation District (RCD) of Greater San Diego County aims to protect, conserve, and restore natural resources through information, education, and technical assistance. We work across the majority of San Diego County on a variety of programs, including fire prevention and education, watershed education, school garden support, promotion of pollinator habitat, and management of two large community gardens and a farm.

Wild Willow Farm and Education Center – the RCD’s newest program – is in the South Bay region of San Diego County. The Farm offers educational programming for all ages, including field trips, workshops, and courses, and is a production farm as well. We are seeking interns to assist with our farm-based education programs, particularly our field trip program and our adult education workshops. The internship will focus on the following tasks, with the potential to work on other RCD programs as required:

- **Field trip leader:** Lead on-farm educational activities, safely and with kindness, to groups of 8-15 participants. Field trips vary in length from 45 minutes to three hours, but a typical field trip is two hours. Interns will be expected to help set up before and clean up after each field trip.
- **Farm Host for workshops:** the Farm offers workshops on an array of farming, gardening, and homesteading topics. The Farm Host is essential to ensuring the workshops run smoothly. As Farm Host, the intern will check participants in, collect payment, and assist the workshop leader as needed. This may include replenishing supplies, assisting with workshop materials, or directing participants to farm facilities.
- **Potential to assist with farm tasks** such as weeding, planting, harvesting the week’s Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) box contents, or compiling CSA boxes.

Eligibility: previous experience is not required, but an interest in environmental education, conservation, farming, and gardening would be beneficial. Training in all areas will be provided.

Requirements: Must possess a current, valid California driver's license, current proof of automobile insurance coverage, and reliable transportation; knowledge of word processing, PowerPoint and Excel; punctuality and reliability, and availability to work weekends. Bilingual (English/Spanish) is beneficial but not required.

Terms: This is a 16 week internship, offered on a part-time basis (6-20 hours per week, depending on field trip bookings). It is paid at \$15 per hour, with an option of work in exchange for course credit.

Start date and duration: As soon as possible or by late February 2020.

Schedule and location: Working hours are somewhat flexible, and depend on field trip bookings and

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other farm activities. Field trips generally occur Monday – Friday between 9:00 and 3:00 (with occasional weekend bookings). Farm hosting will typically occur on Sundays from 9am-1pm, but not every week. We guarantee a minimum of six hours per week and hope to be able to offer 10 hours per week, with the potential for additional hours depending on seasonal need. All work activities and training will take place at Wild Willow Farm in South-western San Diego County (near Imperial Beach).

To apply: Please send your resume and a cover letter explaining your interest in this position and why you think you are a good fit to Ann Baldrige, Community Programs Director, at ann.baldrige@rcdsandiego.org. **The deadline for applications is February 24, 2020.** Please contact Ann with any questions at 619-562-0096. The Resource Conservation District is committed to diversity, equality, and inclusion.