

Petaluma Bounty Community Farm!

Internship Opportunities



What is Petaluma Bounty? Mission: Healthy food for everyone through collaboration, education and promoting self-reliance. Vision: To grow a thriving local food system where consumers make informed decisions; farmers make a decent living while prioritizing ecological stewardship of the land; and all people – regardless of income – have access to healthy food. We push beyond the immediate demands of hunger relief toward community food security (and hunger prevention) with programming that expands our community’s capacity to feed each other today and into the future.

What is Bounty Community Farm? Bounty Community Farm (BCF) is an urban, educational farm dedicated to providing sustainably farmed produce to the Petaluma community. Through community donations, grants and volunteer workers, we strive to make locally grown, sustainable produce available to all by offering reduced prices to low-income Petaluma residents and by donating thousands of pounds of food every year to local families in need. With the support and participation of the community, Bounty Community Farm has created an alternative local food system model that is more accessible and responsive to all community members.

What opportunities are there for interns? Over the past seven years, BCF has developed innovative programs and initiatives including a sliding-scale food CSA subscription, farm stand in a local health care center, educational visits, nutrition education program, partnerships with other local organizations, and much more. Be a part of this growing community farm and experience for yourself what it means to help create a sustainable, local food system. Opportunities to gain valuable management and coordination experience and develop sustainable agriculture skills are available in the following areas:

- Farm Production
- Gleaning Coordination
- Volunteer Coordination and recruitment
- A.L.I.V.E. Program support
- Communications and Outreach- video, photography, writing, social media
- Nonprofit Administration
- Farm Education and curriculum development
- Farmers’ Market and Farm Stand sales
- Farmer’s Market LIFE

What qualifications are required? We ask that interns come to Petaluma Bounty with a commitment to show up with consistency, have good clear communication and organization skills, enthusiasm for learning and working as part of a team in community, and willingness to have a lot of fun while doing so! Enthusiasm for working outside in the fields with the farm team as part of an on-farm learning experience is encouraged.

For more information on how to apply, please visit

www.petalumabounty.org/programs/education/internships. You can also contact the Education & Engagement Coordinator for more information at education@petalumabounty.org



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Internship Descriptions:

Note: Internships can be a combination of some or all of the below positions. This allows for interns to see various aspects of Petaluma Bounty's work.

Farm Production & Farm Sales Internship

The focus of this internship is sustainable agriculture and food production. Interns will work alongside the Farm Manager in all tasks involving farm production, including planting, weeding, harvesting, irrigation, etc. The intern will learn about sustainable farming techniques at BCF, and will grow in their skill of growing food. Farm tasks change on a daily basis and are determined by what is needed and if there is a produce outlet that day. Interns also assist with produce sales at our three produce outlets, including the sliding-scale farm stand and CSA pickup, Farmacy at the Petaluma Health Center, and Farmer's Market. Interns are responsible for customer service, communication about Petaluma Bounty produce and programs, record keeping on sales and EBT reporting, as well as walking customers through our price structure.

Outreach, Education & Communications Internship

The focus of this internship includes outreach and communications of Bounty programs alongside the Education & Engagement Coordinator. Outreach tasks could include gathering information on community organizations, making phone calls, social media, updating resources, making and distributing flyers, writing, photography and video, etc. This intern will support our farm visit program including educational school visits, service learning and other community volunteer visits. There may be opportunities to research curriculum development and support implementation. This position will also work with staff on recruitment and retainment for ALIVE, our food access programs, and volunteer and internship programs.

Non-profit Administration Internship

The focus of this internship includes working with the Director to ensure the above initiatives are well supported, data analysis and reporting requirements are met, and procedures are developed and improved upon. Additional opportunities to support community efforts including Farmers' Market LIFE programming, Hunger Index, and other initiatives based on the intern's interest and abilities as well as the needs of the organization.



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