



Internship with Growing Hope
YPSILANTI FARMERS MARKET INTERN
2024 Fall Season
Sept- Oct

Position Description:

Growing Hope is a 21-year-old non-profit organization rooted in Ypsilanti, Michigan whose mission is to foster an equitable and sustainable local food system that empowers all people to grow, buy, sell, prepare, and eat nourishing food. Since 2006, Growing Hope has operated The Ypsilanti Farmers Markets to support this mission. The Ypsilanti Farmers Markets operate May-October on Saturday from 9am-1pm and Tuesday from 3-7pm. The Ypsi Area Online Market operates year-round.

Growing Hope is offering paid internships to those interested in farmers market management, local food systems, food justice, public health, nutrition/dietetics, and/or communications and marketing. Internship activities will vary based on availability and individual interest and skill.

Monthly Stipend: \$500

Activities Include :

- Operate market “Info Booth” during market hours.
 - Process credit/debit and SNAP/EBT transactions efficiently and correctly.
 - Explain incentive currencies used at the market such as Double Up Food Bucks.
 - Maintain correct transaction records and token counts.
 - Demonstrate friendly and neighborly customer service.
- On-site assistance to the Market team during market days, including setup and tear down.
- Data collection and management.

Qualifications:

- Availability Saturday from 8-1:30 plus 2-3 hours during the week (flexible)
- Commitment to a minimum of 8- 10 hours/week for a minimum for 7 weeks
- Desire and ability to engage with a diverse group of people and provide excellent customer service.
- Enthusiasm for local food and the Ypsilanti community.
- Ability to function independently and in a team environment.
- Willingness to work in a variety of weather conditions.
- Preferred: past experience with one or more of the following: cashiering and/or bookkeeping, food assistance programs, marketing and outreach, data management

To Apply: Please fill out this [google form](#) (preferred) or submit your qualifications, availability, and what you hope to gain from this internship via written document, video, or audio format to apply@growinghope.net. Position will remain open until filled.

Growing Hope encourages people of color and individuals who possess an in-depth understanding of poverty or economic hardship to apply. We welcome a diverse pool of applicants and make employment decisions on the basis of merit. We do not discriminate potential employees based on race, creed, age, physical ability, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation or marital status. Accommodations will be made so that the application process and position is made accessible for qualified applicants.