



Older Youth Employment Program
For all questions, please feel free to reach out:
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"I really love hope garden because I always felt like my friends had more friend groups than I did and I felt really lonely but ever since I joined hope garden I've found a lot of friends to hang out with now and I don't feel lonely anymore."

-HOPE Crew Member

"My favorite memory was when we first learned about how to grow vegetables and about the garden. I feel I learned so much and had such a great environment so much to work in. HOPE Garden wasn't just a place to work in. We learned, we made friends, and we were all given an escape and a safe place to be ourselves. Overall, this wasn't just a job for me, it was an adventure. Every day was something new and each as fun as the last. My time at HOPE garden was time I will never forget, and I hope the people I met stay with me for the years ahead."

-HOPE Crew Member

Come join us for another season in the garden!

Spring programming will begin in early spring, and summer programming will begin late June!

Crew members will have a chance to:

- Take home delicious fresh food from the garden every week
- Take home flowers
- Learn new skills
- Earn valuable job skills and experience
- Learn communication skills
- Play games
- Gain leadership skills
- Gain references for further job or college pursuits
- Get lots of exercise and fresh air
- Work hard
- Make friends
- Have fun
- Crew members also earn a small stipend for their participation. Think of it like a paid internship. We have a ton of fun, work hard, and learn a lot.

To qualify for the HOPE Garden Crew Member Position:

- Turn in, either in person or via email, the application questions **before March 31st**
- Be high school aged (entering 9th grade through just graduating)
- Be committed to working. That means showing up on time and staying for the duration of the work day, throughout the whole season.
- Be willing to “try on” hard work, new food, and being part of the team.
- Must be willing to work hard and get dirty.
- Must be willing to dress for the weather. We spend all our time outside.

Name you prefer:

Date of Birth:

Phone Number:

Email:

Gender: (optional)

Current Age:

Current Grade Level:

Preferred Pronoun:

Best way to contact you:

Are you eligible for Free Lunch (Y/N)?

Are you currently in Foster Care?

Part of the HOST Program? (Y/N)

What school do you attend?

Parent / Guardian Name:

Telephone (best)

This person is my: (circle one) Legal Guardian Mother Father Relative (describe)

One other emergency contact who is an adult Telephone (best):

Why do you want to be a member of the HOPE Garden Project? What interests you about the program?

What are your goals for the near future, and how would this program help you achieve them?

What are some of the challenges you face in school and life right now? How could this program help you overcome those?

What is one thing you like about yourself?

What is one thing people say about teenagers that makes you really angry?

What are you most excited about when thinking about being part of this program?