

## **Friends of Van Cortlandt Park: Garden 2 Market Internship 2017 Season July 5<sup>th</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>**



Thanks for your interest in our internship. In addition to helping our community eat healthier through offering more fresh fruits and vegetables at a farm stand, interns will learn about the entire food system (growing, selling, consuming, and composting). This is important because when we understand where our food comes from, and where it goes, we are able to make better decisions about what we buy and eat!

**DETAILS: Interns, will work 3 days per week during the summer and 1 day per week from September to October.** Hired interns are expected to be able to work all 3 days during the summer and through the fall, hours will be altered to fit school schedules.

### **Tuesday Mornings, 10am-1pm *Summer only***

Composting and gardening at the FVCP Compost Site/Garden located inside the park at Mosholu Ave and Broadway (by the Horse Stables). This portion of the program gives interns first hand experience growing food and giving back to their community as the vegetables and herbs grown will be donated to local food pantries. Interns will be responsible for weeding, watering, and maintaining the vegetable beds each week.

### **Wednesday Afternoons, 1:00 P M – 8 PM *Summer and after school September and October***

Running the market, an outdoor farm stand at Amalgamated Housing selling local fruits and vegetables. Interns will learn about food justice issues as well as the basics of running a farm stand: merchandising, customer service, and how to promote the stand in the community. The Amalgamated market will also include youth led weekly cooking demonstrations. Interns will meet and leave from the Friends of Van Cortlandt Park's office at 80 Van Cortlandt Park South.

### **Thursday Mornings, 10-2 PM *Summer only***

This day will be used for trips to other local gardens, ordering produce for our market and keeping the financial records for the market, and exploring aspects of the food system.

There also might be an occasional Saturday trip.

**This internship is physically demanding and runs outside through all weather conditions** from July through October. It can be a rewarding experience for interns as they gain first hand experience of how their food grows in a local urban setting. No experience is needed. All interns under 18 years old must have working papers. Interns will be paid minimum wage for approximately 15 hours per week during the summer and 3-5 hours during the fall.

**The application is due by May 19<sup>th</sup>** and can be emailed to Sara Kempton at [sara@vancortlandt.org](mailto:sara@vancortlandt.org), mailed to The Friends of Van Cortlandt Park, 80 Van Cortlandt Park South Suite E1 Bronx NY 10463, or faxed to 718-601-1574.

Selected applicants will be contacted to schedule an interview. Applicants will be notified no later than June 22<sup>nd</sup> if they have been accepted. Questions can be directed to Sara Kempton at (718)601-1553, [sara@vancortlandt.org](mailto:sara@vancortlandt.org)

# Garden 2 Market Internship Application 2017

## I. Applicant's Contact Information (Please print clearly using a blue or black ink pen.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (Apt) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home) (Cell)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_ Gender: Female \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_

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## II. Education

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Borough: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## III. Parent or Guardian Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First)

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home or cell) (Work)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First)

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home or cell) (Work)

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## IV. Work Experience (Please list all previous employment, internship, and volunteer/ community service experience.)

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(Name of company/organization) (Position) Mo Yr Mo Yr

2. \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of company/organization) (Position) Mo Yr Mo Yr

3. \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
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### **V. Short Answer Questions:**

The following questions will help us learn a little more about you and why you want to participate in the Garden 2 Market Internship. Please answer each question in 3-5 full sentences, neatly written or typed, on a separate piece of paper.

- 1- Why do you want to be a part of the Garden 2 Market Internship?**
- 2- What skills and experiences do you think you can bring to the internship?**
- 3- What do you think you will gain by being a part of this internship?**

**VI. Returning Interns Only** If you are a **returning** intern please also answer the following question:

- 1- Based on your experience last year at the market let us know one thing you would do to improve the success of the market this year.**

Please return the application including the answers to the questions to Sara Kempton by **May 19<sup>th</sup>**. Applications can be emailed to [sara@vancortlandt.org](mailto:sara@vancortlandt.org), faxed to 718-601-1574 or mailed to Friends of Van Cortlandt Park, 80 Van Cortlandt Park South Suite E1, Bronx NY 10463.

**GOOD LUCK!**