FARMER FOODSHARE

COMMUNITY FOODSHARE VOLUNTEER

Community Foodshare Program:

Through the Community Foodshare project, Farmer Foodshare works collaboratively with a network of local organizations to provide fresh, North Carolina grown produce, nutrition tips, and recipes to community members. Fresh food bundles ("shares") are picked up at a partner site every other week from June to October. You can purchase shares for yourself and/or sponsor a family in need. Either way, you're giving back to the community!

Every share purchased or donated helps to build new markets for local farmers and improve access to fresh, local food for hungry North Carolinians.

Volunteer Responsibilities:

- Assist Community Foodshare staff with set-up at the designated pick-up site
    - Pack boxes with fresh food from the Wholesale Market
    - Set signs out for customers
    - Print recipes and veggie fact sheets
    - Create an engaging environment for customers
- Build enthusiasm around the Community Foodshare pick-up around local food so that customers are excited about trying new foods. Greet customers with excitement and hospitality!
- Hand out samplings, or make fresh food samplings when needed
- Conduct oral and paper surveys when needed
- Help with the break down of boxes and with closing down the site

Desired Qualities and Skills:

- Positive and enthusiastic personality
- Ability to community with a wider audience and engage diverse community members
- Ability to multi-task

Skills and Experience to be Gained

- Community outreach and organizing
- Familiarity with seasonal wholesale product availability
- Practice safely handing and properly storing fresh food.

Training and Time Commitment:

- Training is provided “on the job” – no prior training is necessary to sign up to volunteer
- Volunteer shifts are offered on Wednesdays from 3:00pm-6:00pm at a partner site