

Worm Wrangler

Purpose

The Farmory is looking for Worm Wranglers! Wranglers are responsible for maintaining a thriving worm farm population for our aquaponics grow operation, for educational purposes, and for eventual sales. Together with The Farmory staff and other volunteers, the Wranglers promote waste reduction and landfill diversion through vermicomposting. The person we are searching for must have passion for The Farmory's mission.

The volunteer commitment could be structured as an internship, apprenticeship, volunteer or community service. 1-2 hour(s) per week commitment, unless meeting specific requirement.

Location

This position will take place at The Farmory (815 Chicago St. Green Bay, WI 54301).

Duties

- Work with other Worm Wranglers and other Farmory staff in a team setting to develop appropriate housing, healthy management, and document procedures for the worm farm
- Maintain and trouble shoot the worm farm (food preparation and feeding, checking bedding/moisture, educational materials and signage)
- Collecting and tracking data about worm farm activities and outputs
- Work with other Worm Wranglers in a team setting to ensure healthy management and trouble-shooting of the worm farm
- Harvest worm castings/worms for use in our aquaponics grow operation
- Managing cleanliness of worm farm and equipment
- Meet with the Farmory staff and other volunteers to align worm farm goals and objectives with overall business needs
- Organize and promote sales of worms, worm castings, and worm bins
- Optional: gather and prepare materials for vermicomposting workshops; organize and lead workshops as opportunities present themselves
- Optional: participation in tours for the public or schools

Important Skills or Abilities

- Prior knowledge of vermicomposting methods preferred, or a very strong desire to learn
- Desire to educate others
- Strong planning and leadership skills
- Must not mind getting dirty and handling worms
- Commitment to safety
- Able to lift 40 pounds, able bend over to work in the worm bins
- Committed to communicating regularly and constructively with team members

The Farmory is a non-profit urban farm that utilizes innovative aquaponics technology. This indoor farm will grow job and entrepreneurial opportunities as well as increase access to locally grown food. The Farmory is driven by dedicated volunteers and supportive Green Bay area residents. It is a project of the Urban Partnership Community Development Corporation in collaboration with NeighborWorks Green Bay. If you are interested in learning more about the developing project or are interested in this volunteer position, please call Claire Thompson at

(920) 593-3708 or email her at claire@nwgreenbay.org. Visit our website www.farmory.org for more information.