CREW MEMBER APPLICATION

Are you 15 – 18 years old and looking for a meaningful job? The Prairie Farm Corps is seeking area high school students to grow, cook, promote, and market healthy food raised on a local farm.

Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member - Position Details

Who: Youth (ages 15 – 18) who are hard-working team players interested in growing personally and professionally in this youth development program. Applicants must be willing to work outdoors in all conditions, have reliable transportation, and be available to attend an interview.

What: Work on an organic farm to grow, eat and distribute vegetables through farmer’s market sales and community donations. Compensation totals $1600 before taxes, paid in ¼'s on June 15th, July 1st, July 15th, August 1st.

When: The entire program includes work from April 7th through July 31st. Priority will be given to applicants who can attend the entire program, including the following dates:

April 7 through June 2
- Tuesday evenings from 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (9 sessions)
- The first evening will serve as an orientation.

May 15, 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Organic Plant Sale Preparation
May 16, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Organic Plant Sale & Farm Open House (Saturday)

June 8 through July 30
- Mondays through Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- 2 early Thursdays, 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (to be scheduled in June)
- 1 late Monday from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (to be scheduled in June)

July 30, 6:00 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Celebration Potluck
July 31, 6:00 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Farm Crew Farewell and Bonfire

Where: 32400 North Harris Road, Grayslake, Illinois, 60030. The Prairie Crossing Farm is a 93-acre certified organic farm owned by Liberty Prairie Foundation. The Foundation supports educational programming at the Prairie Crossing Farm to educate and inspire people to value healthy food, land, and community through experiences on our farm.

Interested? Return the completed application to Shannon McBride at the above address, postmarked no later than February 17, 2020, or via email to shannon@libertyprairie.org.

For more information about the Prairie Farm Corps program:
Contact Eric Carlberg, Prairie Farm Corps Director
eric@libertyprairie.org or 847-845-1632
Check out our website http://www.libertyprairie.org

SAVE THIS PAGE FOR YOUR REFERENCE (Take a picture on your phone!)
APPLICANT INFORMATION – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Full Name: ________________________________________________________________

Home Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: ______ ZIP: ______________

Home Telephone: (____) ____________________ Cell Telephone: (____) ______________

Email Address: ____________________________________________________________

Current Age: ______________ Date of Birth: ___________________ / __________ / __________

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Current School Name: ___________________________ School City/Town: ________________

School Telephone: (____) ______________________ Current Grade Level: ________________

Do you receive free and/or reduced lunch? ________________________________

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE: If no previous work experience, please check here __

Name of Employer: __________________________________ Your Position: ______________

Employer Address: __________________________________ City: ______________ State: _____

Employer Telephone: (____) ______________ Name of Supervisor: __________________

Beginning of Employment: _______ / __________ End of Employment: _______ / __________

Skills Learned: ____________________________________________________________

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name: ______________________________________________________

Place of Employment: __________________________ Work Telephone: (____) ______________

Home Telephone: (____) __________________________ Cell Telephone: (____) ______________

Parent/Guardian Email Address: ______________________________________________

This person is my: ____ Legal Guardian  ____ Mother  ____ Father  ____ Relative: __________

ADDITIONAL ADULT EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Place of Employment: __________________________ Work Telephone: (____) ______________

Cell Telephone: (____) __________________________ Email Address: __________________

My relationship to this person is: ____________________________________________

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APPLICATION QUESTIONS – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Responses should be in complete sentences. Please write as completely as you can and try to use all of the space provided. You may attach a separate sheet if you need more room.

1. What interests you about this job and what do you hope to gain? Please describe your interests in farming, gardening, cooking, and personal/professional development.

2. Working outside is often wonderful, but also sometimes quite difficult. Please share your experience with outdoor work AND how you will cope with challenging conditions (high heat, rain, mud, biting bugs, thorny weeds, etc.)?

3. What do you consider to be your strengths? How will your strengths help the Prairie Farm Corps?
4. What is your greatest weakness is? How do you cope with it?

5. Describe a challenge you have had to overcome. How did you overcome it? What gave you strength during this process?

6. How do you think environmental issues will affect your future?

7. Please check with your family now to find out what potential conflicts (extra-curriculars activities, family vacations) do you have that could prevent you from attending the dates listed on page 1 of the application. Please list them here.

8. How will you get to and from the farm?
REFERENCE INFORMATION – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Please list three adults who know you well such as a teacher, coach, employer, minister, etc. Please do not list members of your family. We will call references listed prior to interviews.

Reference #1:
Name: ______________________________ Telephone: (_______)_____________
Title: ______________________________ Organization/School: __________________________
Address: ____________________________ City: __________________ State: _______
Email: ______________________________

How long have you known this person? __________________________________________

Reference #2:
Name: ______________________________ Telephone: (_______)_____________
Title: ______________________________ Organization/School: __________________________
Address: ____________________________ City: __________________ State: _______
Email: ______________________________

How long have you known this person? __________________________________________

Reference #3:
Name: ______________________________ Telephone: (_______)_____________
Title: ______________________________ Organization/School: __________________________
Address: ____________________________ City: __________________ State: _______
Email: ______________________________

How long have you known this person? __________________________________________

Please return this completed application to Eric Carlberg, Liberty Prairie Foundation, 32400 North Harris Road, Grayslake, Illinois, 60030 postmarked no later than **Feb. 17, 2020**, or via email to eric@libertyprairie.org.

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