

# Job Posting

**Title:** Farmer Network Specialist  
**Classification:** Exempt  
**Date:** July 5, 2022  
**Report To:** Programs Director



## **About Marbleseed (formerly Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service—MOSES)**

Marbleseed is a farmer-led nonprofit organization that emerged out of the Midwest Organic Farming Conference, an event we've been putting on annually for over 30 years. The conference is known as the first and the largest organic farming conference in the United States. Throughout the year, Marbleseed also works with a community of 20,000 small and mid-scale organic and sustainable farmers across the upper Midwest, to provide free and affordable, farmer-led and -informed educational events, programs, and print and digital resources.

## **Position Summary**

The Farmer Network Specialist engages farmers and allied organizations by coordinating and creating content regarding organic, sustainable, and regenerative farming practices across the upper Midwest. This position has the lead responsibility of maintenance of the Ag Solidarity Network, working with a team of contracted content specialists (Specialist Team), farmers and partner organizations who have created this space collectively. This position supports the mission of Marbleseed by researching, sharing information, strengthening organic & regenerative farming, and advocating for food and farm system equity with a wide range of producers and other stakeholders. Multi-language skills or membership in a historically underserved farmer community will enable this position to have broader impact in building a representative farmer network.

## **Areas of Responsibility**

### ***Education and Movement Building***

- Creates content about organic and regenerative farming practices and farmer communities of practice for the Ag Solidarity Network (ASN), the website, publications, social media, and other resources
- Networks with other organizations and experts, searches the web, and uses research skills to find proven solutions to farming concerns related to business and production
- Develops programs and resources to support farmer-led education and address needs identified by farmers
- Supports various grant-based or program initiatives
- Takes a lead role in the development of research and content for the annual organic farming conference

### ***External Relations***

- Collaboratively and collectively works with allied organizations providing technical assistance in the upper Midwest and other stakeholders to identify and/or create content needed to strengthen the organic movement and organic and sustainable farm viability
- Works respectfully with diverse partners serving socially disadvantaged farmer communities to ensure equitable distribution of resources and knowledge within collaborations and partnerships
- Represents the programs and point of view of Marbleseed to agencies, organizations, and the public
- Attends and/or coordinates representation of Marbleseed at farm shows, field days, trainings, and conferences, as needed

## **Qualifications**

### ***Required***

- Demonstrated relationships within farmer communities and leaders across the Midwest
- Knowledge of farm policies, practices and government agricultural programs and Farm Bill chapters
- Awareness of allied organizations, agencies, and businesses that serve farmers in the upper Midwest
- Knowledge of current events and significant developments in providing technical assistance to diverse and historically underserved farmers
- Experience working in coalitions
- Strong computer skills; Microsoft Office Suite (including Outlook, Power Point, Excel, OneNote, Word, SharePoint, etc.)
- Valid driver's license

### ***Preferred***

- Adult education pedagogy and method
- Multi-lingual

## **Compensation and Benefits:**

This position is remote and full-time with a salary range of \$48,000-\$55,000, health insurance benefits, and flexible PTO. Remote employees are expected to travel to Wisconsin periodically (3-4x per year) for staff meetings and special events.

**How to Apply:** Email a letter of interest and resume to [hr@marbleseed.org](mailto:hr@marbleseed.org) with subject line: Farmer Network Specialist. Position open until filled.