

Job Posting:

Local Food Purchasing Specialist



ABOUT MARBLESEED

Marbleseed is a nonprofit that provides education, resources, and practical advice to help farmers grow using regenerative and organic practices.

JOB SUMMARY

We are seeking two (2) Local Food Purchasing (LFPA) Specialists to engage and support a diverse farmer community. The goal of the LFPA is to expand procurement from socially disadvantaged producers across Wisconsin to meet the needs of food insecure communities across the state. These positions will focus on the technical assistance and financial needs of socially disadvantaged producers in meeting the procurement demands of the anti-hunger system and other localized hunger relief efforts. These positions will also represent Marbleseed in the LFPA partner efforts and convenings that are part of this project. The LFPA Program supports the mission of Marbleseed by engaging a wide range of producers and allied stakeholders to create a more just food system.

DUTIES

Program Management

- Work with the LFPA team to identify educational and resource needs of the contracted growers
- Creates resources and trainings on production and business development for the contracted growers
- Coordinates annual contracted LFPA Grower events with other Marbleseed staff and project partners
- Assists in the development of other programs and resources to support contracted farmer educational needs
- Manages grower contracts

External Relations and Resource Development

- Engages LFPA stakeholders and other partners to ensure procurement and distribution processes are accessible and effective
- Creates program related content for website, publications, and social media
- Presents trainings or coordinates grower training and technical assistance on production, planning, business development, and/or other relevant topics

QUALIFICATIONS

- 5+ years experience farming and/or working with farmers; knowledge of production practices and farm businesses
- Knowledge of farm planning, food safety practices, and procurement requirements of institutional buyers
- Experience in creating educational and resource materials for adult learners
- Strong computer skills
- Valid driver's license
- Experience working in collaborative, team environment, and with coalitions

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

Pay is \$52,000.00-55,000.00 commensurate with experience. Salary is for 40 hours/week. Position includes benefits and paid time off. Successful candidates should be in or near Wisconsin but may work remotely. Salary differential may be offered for multi-lingual candidates.

HOW TO APPLY

Email a letter of interest and resume to: hr@marbleseed.org. Open until filled.

Marbleseed is an equal opportunity employer. Marbleseed stands in solidarity with all of the farmers, partner organizations, and community members who are working toward equity and racial justice.