



Position: Part-time Grower at Growing Solutions Farm

Length of contract: May through October

Scheduling: flexible days, 24 hours per week

Reports to: Farm Operations Manager, Executive Director

[Urban Autism Solutions](#) (UAS) is dedicated to changing outcomes for young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and related challenges through an integrated community life that advances social and vocational opportunities. At Growing Solutions Farm (GSF), our nationally-recognized programming site, impacted students (ages 16-22) from West Side Chicago public high schools learn transferable job and life skills through sustainable agriculture while building a lasting community.

The position pays **\$16.80/hour** and is a weekly position for 24 hours a week from May-October 2024.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Customer service - at the Wednesday and Friday on-site farmstand, and off-site at the monthly market located at the Old Post Office. (A work vehicle is available for off-site responsibilities.)
- Food safety and sanitation - cleaning washables, walk-in cooler, and wash-pack, packing produce.
- Transportation - moving produce as needed to markets and wholesale clients. (A work vehicle is available for off-site responsibilities.)
- Landscaping - lawn mowing, weed wacking, and maintenance.
- Horticulture - Basic knowledge of plant biology, pruning, harvesting is essential.
- Assist with preparations for special events and activities.
- Representation of UAS and GSF to the general public through customer service skills, knowledge of organizational mission.
- Other duties as assigned.

Requirements:

- Ability to pass a background check
- Understanding of the UAS mission, its programs and services (training will be provided)
- Ability to lift at least 30 pounds
- Ability to work alongside diverse learners, CPS teachers and paraprofessionals, and collaborate with UAS staff
- Communication with program participants, general public, customers, staff
- Ability to respond to correspondence (email and phone) in a timely manner
- Ability to use computer, iPad, and Google Platforms
- Ability to be organized and focused in a fast-paced environment
- Experience in urban agriculture a plus, but not required

To apply, send your resume to Tucker Kelly, FarmOperation Manager, at tucker@urbanautismsolutions.com.