



Kitchen Assistant

Abbey Gardens is a charitable organization created with a mission to transform a spent gravel pit into a green space dedicated to developing economic, ecological, educational, and recreational growth within our community. We bring this mission to life by focusing on three key pillars, Environmental Restoration, Community Education, and Local Food Systems. The Kitchen team is dedicated to supporting Local Food Systems by bringing together a network of activities that connects food production, processing, and distribution to support our local economy and local community.

The **Kitchen Assistant** position will be an integral part of the kitchen staff team within our Food Hub, with the opportunity to attend local farmers markets with the Kitchen Lead to source seasonal, fresh, and local ingredients. This role will include a wide range of tasks in our commercial kitchen including processing produce from our garden and food from local suppliers to support our farm to table experiences. This position includes working at the lunch counter, preparing food, baking, providing customer service, catering, etc. This is a full-time seasonal position, working directly under the Kitchen Lead.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Preparing baked goods and supplies for the Food Hub
- Preparing and packaging items for the Food Hub
- Assisting with recipe creation and testing
- Seasonal preserves/pickling
- Preparing salads for fresh cooler
- Preparing sandwiches and ingredients
- Assisting the Kitchen Lead with special events
- Kitchen cleaning as needed
- Working with volunteers and part time staff
- Other duties as required

Abilities and experience:

- Comfortable handling and preparing food
- Possess Safe Food Handling Certificate, or willing to get it
- Knowledge of local food systems
- Knowledge of farm to table experiences
- Customer service
- Interest in local food
- Experience baking is an asset
- Team player

Anticipated start date is early May 2025 with an end date of late October 2025. Wage will be based on experience.

Please submit a detailed resume by March 14, 2025, to:

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