



Greenhouse Propagation Volunteer Position

Deadline to apply: 1/30/22 Position will be filled as soon as possible.

[Greater Lansing Food Bank](#) (GLFB) provides food assistance to individuals and families in need. [Garden Project](#), a proud program of GLFB, uses gardening as a means for community development, personal empowerment, and hunger prevention. Garden Project pursues our organizational vision of a hunger-free community by cultivating connections so all community members can have access to fresh, healthy foods through gardening opportunities. A network of over 110 community gardens and over 500 home gardeners are provided access to land, how-to education, free seeds and plants, tool lending, a networking hub and more.

Position Description: The *Greenhouse Propagation Volunteer* will be responsible for greenhouse production of vegetable transplants and will report to the Gardens & Greenhouse Specialist. Training will be provided as needed. This position comes with a \$500 stipend. The intrinsic rewards are many, such as learning about sustainable food systems, becoming familiar with propagation and greenhouse operations, and exposure to a nonprofit working environment.

Location: Hill Center at 5815 Wise Rd., Lansing MI 48911 (Personal transportation is required.)
Dates: March 1st, 2022, through May 31st, 2022 (Start and end dates are negotiable)
Hours per week: Minimum of 15
Stipend: \$500

Responsibilities: The *Greenhouse Propagation Volunteer* will work directly with staff on a variety of tasks.

- Propagation, watering, thinning, and ongoing plant maintenance in greenhouse setting.
- Management of greenhouse space (learn climate control mechanisms, organize, and clean materials).

Qualifications & Skills:

- Experience/interest in growing plants from seed. (Training provided.) Familiarity with common greenhouse insects and diseases a plus.
- Computer skills in Microsoft programs and Google docs
- Flexibility to work watering shifts on some weekends.
- Ability to lift up to 45 lbs.
- Ability to travel to Hill Center greenhouse in south Lansing.
- Excellent communication and organizational skills.
- Ability to coordinate work schedule and duties with other community members and program staff.
- Ability to work independently after receiving adequate guidance and ability to follow direction.
- Attention to detail, and good observational skills to detect and address problems while they are small

Academic credits may be possible, depending on your program of study. (Junior/senior standing preferred.)

To apply please send resume and cover letter with availability (start and end dates) to:

Julie Lehman, Garden Project Manager: julie@glfoodbank.org. Email submissions only.

If you have questions about the position, you may email julie@glfoodbank.org or call 517-853-7809.