



Troy Community Farm Worker Share Application

Application Deadline: 29 March 2010

Worker shares will be notified of their selection by 12 April 2010.

About Troy Worker Shares

- Worker shares are an essential part of our farm and make valuable contributions to our business. We could not do it without you!
- A worker share trades labor for a CSA share. We have two types of worker share positions:
 - ⌘ **Vegetable Worker Shares** trade 4 hours per week for one vegetable share, which includes 20 weekly boxes of organic vegetables; our weekly newsletter; and access to the CSA flower and herb garden for u-pick bouquets and fresh herbs. Vegetable worker shares work closely with the farmers on a set schedule.
 - ⌘ **Flower Worker Shares** trade 1 to 2 hours per week in the flower garden for access to the CSA flower and herb garden for u-pick bouquets and fresh herbs. Flower worker shares receive training from the farmers, but then set their own hours and work independently.
- Work on the farm is physically demanding and can be exhausting and repetitive. We work in all kinds of weather so it can also be hot, cold, windy, and wet.
- We provide detailed training on farm tasks. We expect worker shares to take instruction well, follow through with both accuracy and speed, and (because it takes practice to learn) to improve over time.
- Particular tasks will change over the season but will include planting, weeding, mulching, trellising, and (mostly) harvesting.
- Vegetable worker shares start work promptly at 7:00 AM and should be at the farm and ready to go several minutes before that time. Timeliness is very important to us.
- Worker shares must commit to a full season. We do not offer 3- or 4-month positions. We do expect that worker shares may take a 1- or 2- week vacation at some time in the season.
- We value worker shares' opinions on what is included in weekly shares. When we have choices about what to harvest in a particular week, we will often ask for your input. We will also ask you to share your favorite recipes for the newsletter, if you are willing!

Your Contact Information

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Street Address:

City & Zip Code:

Your Availability

Please mark the weekly shifts below in order of preference, with a "1" being the most preferred.

Put a "0" in front of any shifts you cannot do.

_____ Wednesdays from 7:00 am to 11:00 am

_____ Fridays from 7:00 am to 11:00 am

_____ Flower worker share - flexible schedule

- Worker shares must come to an orientation at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, May 19th or Friday, May 21st.
- Worker shares begin work the week of May 24th and work through the week of October 22nd.

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About You

Please tell us why you want to be a worker share at Troy, about any farming or gardening experience you may have, and about any physical limitations you may have that would interfere with your ability to do the job. (We expect worker shares to bend, squat, and stand for extended periods of time; lift up to 50 pounds; use harvest knives, hoes, water hoses, etc.)

Please also include one or two references that we might contact with questions if necessary.

Worker Share Registration and Release Form

I grant permission for my photo to be used in any promotional materials produced by Community GroundWorks. I shall indemnify and hold harmless Community GroundWorks, its Board and their officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, demands, loss of liability of any kind or nature for any possible injury incurred during my service.

Signature of Worker Share Applicant

Date

Send your completed application by 3/29/10 to:

Claire Strader

Troy Community Farm

1814 Sheridan Drive, Madison, WI 53704

Contact Claire at claire@troygardens.org or 442-6760 with any questions.