

working with communities to alleviate food and fuel poverty

## **Project Co-ordinator (Community Growing)**

Job Description

**Title:** EMS Project Co-ordinator (Community Growing)

Responsible to: Chief Executive

**Hours of Work:** 37 hours per week (with the occasional evenings and weekends)

**Salary:** £22,000

**Duration of Post:** Rolling contract

**Closing Date:** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 **Interview Date:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Application:** To apply for this post please send your CV, cover letter and the names and emails of two referees to <a href="mailto:jan@emsyorkshire.co.uk">jan@emsyorkshire.co.uk</a> by 12 noon on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020. References will only be contacted after successful interview. Please ensure you specifically detail how you meet the person specifications in your covering letter.

A full UK driving license is essential for this role, please include this in your CV.

## **Job Purpose:**

- Working with residents/interested parties to design and build community allotment/growing spaces (including in back gardens) in and around the Hull area
- To work with schools to develop growing spaces and deliver environmentally themed education projects
- Recruit and supervise volunteers
- To work with partner organisations on food related projects
- To assist with the delivery of EMS projects including The Hull Community Shop and Freedom Food Ready Meals

### **Main Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Co-ordinate relevant project management activities, resources, equipment and information
- Liaise with residents and partner organisations to identify and define requirements, scope and objectives
- Make sure that residents needs are met as the projects evolve
- Help prepare budgets and deliver them to the agreed funding parameters
- Analyse risks and opportunities
- Monitor project progress and handle any issues that may arise
- Act as the point of contact and communicate project status to all residents and partner organisations
- Work with the whole EMS team to ensure that delivery targets and expectations are met

- Create and maintain comprehensive project documentation, including feedback reports, resident database information along with monitoring and evaluation paperwork
- To contribute to planning and delivery of all EMS projects
- To work on developing skills and knowledge in appropriate consultation methods with communities and to share information on this with the rest of the EMS team and partners
- The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced Baring and Discloser Service (DBS) check

# Person Specification - Experience, Skills and Abilities

#### **Essential**

- Experience of project delivery including planning, resource allocation, budget tracking and reporting
- Experience of recruiting, managing and working with volunteers
- Experience of developing and/or delivering activities & services within the community and voluntary sector
- Understanding of appropriate health and safety practices and safeguarding considerations when leading practical tasks and working with children and vulnerable adults
- Ability to build and manage relationships with a range of stakeholders
- Strong time management and organisational skills
- Excellent communication skills, written and verbal
- IT literate MS Word, Excel, Publisher, Outlook
- Enthusiastic about engaging people in learning about food, growing and the environment
- Genuine interest in growing/gardening, building community cohesion and empowering people
- Self-motivated and able to manage own time whilst also able to work as part of a team
- Ability to problem solve and work collaboratively to address issues
- Approachable, open and honest personality
- Flexible; willing to support colleagues on other EMS projects

#### **Desirable**

- Practical experience of working on a community gardening project
- Experience of designing and delivering practical, educational workshops, including developing session plans, learning resources & risk assessments
- Knowledge and understanding of wildlife conservation practices & principles
- First Aid at Work Training
- Volunteer Management Qualification at Level 2 or above
- Horticulture Qualification at Level 2 or above