



JOB POSTING – Market Assistant – Relief Shift Coverage/Floater

Vancouver Farmers Markets needs an on-site Market Assistant for the remainder of the 2010 season.

Our Markets are some of the busiest and most successful Farmers Markets in British Columbia. Started as a community food security, health promotion and economic development project in 1995, our Markets have grown year after year by supporting local agriculture and acting as a community-building event for our host neighbourhoods and the city at large. For more information about us, visit our website at www.eatlocal.org.

- The **East Vancouver Market** opens on May 8th and runs every Saturday, 9am - 2pm until October 23 at John Hendry (Trout Lake) Park.
- The **West End Market** opens June 5th and runs every Saturday, 9am - 2pm to October 23 on Comox Street between Bute and Thurlow adjacent to Nelson Park.
- The **Main Street Station Market** opens June 2nd and runs every Wednesday, 3pm – 7pm through to September 29th on Station Street between Terminal and National just off Main St.
- The **Kitsilano Community Market** opens on May 23rd and runs Sundays 10am – 2pm in the parking lot Kitsilano Community Centre near 10th and Larch St.

The on-site assistants report to the Market Manager and are responsible for the smooth operation of each

Market day by:

- attending every Market they have been assigned to;
- arriving at least 1-2 hours in advance of opening and remaining until closing procedures are complete (usually about an hour);
- facilitating the set up of the Market equipment (tents, umbrellas) and community information tables, banners and other Market materials;
- assisting with the management of Market day volunteers and delegating appropriate work to them;
- helping with traffic control, parking information and safety measures when necessary;
- providing Market information and selling market merchandise to shoppers and vendors and assisting with other tasks as needed (ie. fundraising ticket sales, special events, helping vendors)

We are looking for people who:

- are able to commit for the entire market season
- enjoy working in a fast-paced environment
- are outgoing and friendly with a great work ethic and attitude
- are a team player and can work quickly and efficiently under tight time constraints
- can handle being outside in the heat, cold, rain and sun
- have sales, retail or customer service experience
- are self-directed and responsible
- no problem lifting up to 50 lbs and standing for long periods of time
- have an interest in at least one of the following areas: agriculture, nutrition, food security, community health, community development, community economic development, rural and urban interface.

It would also be an asset for candidates to have any of the following: Level 1 Food Safe certification, current Basic First Aid training or a Class 5 driver's license

Wage: \$10 per hour, paid lunch break + 4% vacation pay in lieu of benefits based on a 7-8 hour day

Please send a cover letter explaining your interest and your resume outlining your qualifications. Resumes without cover letters will not be considered. Applicants should be flexible to work at any of the 4 market locations – both weekends and Wednesdays.

Resumes will be accepted until 5 pm on Monday, June 28, 2010. Please send them to:

Vancouver Farmers Markets, Attention: Roberta LaQuaglia, Operations Manager
2-1163 Commercial Drive, Vancouver, BC V5L 3X3
or by email to roberta@eatlocal.org (please send Word or PDF files only)

Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Thank you for your interest.