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West Virginia

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Bethlehem Farm Summer Servant Description

Summer Servants work as service week leaders, assist at work sites, interact with volunteer groups during their visit to Bethlehem Farm and aid in chores around the Farm. They are under the supervision of the Bethlehem Farm director (or his/her designee) and accountable to the Caretaker community.

General Duties & Responsibilities

- During Ordinary weeks: assist the community in completion of necessary chores and tasks that need to be completed to ensure a successful community; including but not limited to working in the garden, prepping for volunteer group weeks, and wrapping up home repair sites
- During volunteer weeks: assist with & lead chores as assigned
- Work in the garden & household chores
- Participate in appropriate community meetings
- Coordinate work sites as assigned
- Help maintain and repair buildings and farm grounds
- Interact with adult & youth volunteers, participating in all aspects of group weeks as a role model
- Maintain professional boundaries
- Perform end of summer evaluation
- Uphold the standards and values described in "Responsibilities of Community Members" in the Bethlehem Farm Community Handbook

Work Duties and Responsibilities

- Teach basic construction skills to volunteers (when applicable)
- Supervise volunteers at work sites
- Maintain and ensure safety at work site
- Build and maintain positive rapport with families
- Pickup, use, and return of all materials, equipment, and supplies from work sites
- Work in the garden, help with dishes, work on "farm crew"
- Wake-up or Lights-out duty

Qualifications

- Willingness to work under a variety of situations and weather conditions
- Ability to follow directions and work well with others
- Prefer basic knowledge of construction tools and the safe use and proper care of them
- Open to collaborative work with volunteers and the people of the area
- Open to living a close committed intentional community life
- Some experience in youth/young adult leadership
- Open to reflection, simplicity, and living in community
- Minimum of a two week commitment
- Completion of the "Protecting God's Children" training (VIRTUS or another) in your local diocese
- Suggested donation of \$400

Benefits

- Room and board
- Limited training related to worksite activities
- Participation in community life, including transportation to community activities
- If staying for 6 weeks or longer will receive compensation (questions ask)