



Prairie Farm Corps
Liberty Prairie Foundation
32400 North Harris Road
Grayslake, Illinois, 60030
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CREW MEMBER APPLICATION

Are you 15 – 18 years old and looking for a meaningful job? The Prairie Farm Corps is seeking area high school students to grow, cook, promote, and market healthy food raised on a local farm.

Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member - Position Details

Who: Youth (ages 15 – 18) who are hard-working team players interested in growing personally and professionally in this youth development program. Applicants must be willing to work outdoors in all conditions, have reliable transportation, and be available to attend an interview.

What: Work on an organic farm to grow, eat and distribute vegetables through farmer's market sales and community donations. Compensation totals \$1600 before taxes, paid in ¼'s on 7/1, 7/15, 8/1 & 8/15.

When: The entire program includes work from April through August. **Applicants must be able to attend the entire program, including the following dates:**

April 5 through June 7

- Tuesday evenings from 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (10 sessions)
- The first evening will serve as an orientation

May 14, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Organic Plant Sale & Farm Open House

June 13 through August 4

- Mondays through Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Two early Thursdays, 6:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (to be scheduled in June)
- 1 "late week," M 8-2, T 8-6, W 8-7, T 8-2 (to be schedule in June)
- Occasional Fridays, TBD (to be scheduled in June)

August 2, 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. - Celebration Dinner

Where: 32400 North Harris Road, Grayslake, Illinois, 60030. The Prairie Crossing Farm is a 100-acre certified organic farm owned by Liberty Prairie Foundation. The Foundation supports educational programming at the Prairie Crossing Farm to educate and inspire people to value healthy food, land, and community through experiences on our farm.

Interested? Return the completed application to Eric Carlberg at the above address, postmarked no later than **February 19, 2016**, or via email to eric@libertyprairie.org.

For more information about the Prairie Farm Corps program:

Contact Eric Carlberg, Prairie Farm Corps Director

eric@libertyprairie.org or 847-845-1632

Check out our website <http://www.libertyprairie.org>

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APPLICANT INFORMATION – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Telephone: (____) _____ Cell Telephone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Current Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
month day year

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Current School Name: _____ School City/Town: _____

School Telephone: (____) _____ Current Grade Level: _____

Do you receive free and/or reduced lunch? _____

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE:

If no previous work experience, please check here

Name of Employer: _____ Your Position: _____

Employer Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Employer Telephone: (____) _____ Name of Supervisor: _____

Beginning of Employment: _____ / _____ End of Employment: _____ / _____

Skills Learned: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Place of Employment: _____ Work Telephone: (____) _____

Home Telephone: (____) _____ Cell Telephone: (____) _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

This person is my: Legal Guardian Mother Father Relative: _____

ADDITIONAL ADULT EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name: _____

Place of Employment: _____ Work Telephone: (____) _____

Cell Telephone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

My relationship to this person is: _____

APPLICATION QUESTIONS – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Responses should be in complete sentences. Please write as completely as you can and try to use all of the space provided. You may attach a separate sheet if you need more room.

1. What interests you about this job and what do you hope to gain? Please indicate any interest you might have in farming, gardening, cooking, and personal/professional development.

2. Working outside is often wonderful, but also sometimes quite difficult. Are you willing and able to work outside in challenging conditions (high heat, rain, mud, biting bugs, thorny weeds, etc.)? Please share experiences you have with physical labor.

3. What do you consider to be your strengths? How will your strengths help the Prairie Farm Corps?

4. What will be your biggest challenge working with the Prairie Farm Corps? How will you cope with it?
5. Describe a time when you helped a friend, family member, or someone in your community. What was the situation and what did you do? How did you feel about it?
6. How will you get to and from work on spring work nights every Tuesday from 5 – 7:30 p.m. (April 5 – June 7)?
7. How will you get to and from work Mondays through Thursdays in the summer (June 13 – August 4 from 8 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)?

REFERENCE INFORMATION – Prairie Farm Corps Crew Member:

Please list three adults who know you well such as a teacher, coach, employer, minister, etc. Please do not list members of your family. We will call references listed prior to interviews.

Reference #1:

Name: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Title: _____ Organization/School: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Email: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

Reference #2:

Name: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Title: _____ Organization/School: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Email: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

Reference #3:

Name: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Title: _____ Organization/School: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Email: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

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