

Homegrown and Happiness Internship Program

Anyone who wants to learn about Urban/Organic farming.

Gardening- seed starting, soil preparation, composting, planting, watering, natural plant feed, natural pesticides, harvesting.

Growing and caring for herbs.

Chicken care- feed, water, coop cleaning, composting.

Chicken care for meat birds- feed, water, coop cleaning. (Meat birds are only with us for about 10 weeks in the spring and 10 weeks in the fall).

Bee Keeping

Rain water collecting- why we need to do this.

Record Keeping- this includes dates things were started (either by seed or plant), what thrives what dies, types of plant food used, types of natural pesticides used, tracking diseases, weather changes and weights of produce harvested.

Attending special events when possible: ex: Assist with teaching backyard classes, Chicken Coop Tour, etc.

****A day at the Dodson house- Spring is very busy with planting (March- May), weeding, chicken care, etc. Fall, Aug.-Sept is also very busy with harvesting, cleaning out beds, planting cool season crops and winterizing the chicken coop but an emergency may arise and I may have to leave and there still will be a work load. On a day that an emergency may arise there will be a checklist for you that day on what needs to be accomplished.***

Thank you for your interest in interning at a Homegrown and Happiness!

Tracy and Kellie Dodson

** Please do not apply if you have no desire to grow things naturally/organically. Also this is not a paid position. We don't want you wasting your time or ours.*

Homegrown and Happiness Internship Application

Please fill in the form below.

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Birthdate:

What time of year are you interested in working?* Spring (March/April/May)

Summer (June/July/August)

Fall (August/September/October)

What days are you interested in working? Tuesday(8:30-12:00)

Wednesdays(8:30-12:00)

Thursdays (8:30-12:00)

What are the top three things you want to learn, and why would an internship be the best way for you to learn those things?

Have you had any previous experience in gardening, animal husbandry, farming, sales or other related fields? If so, please explain.

Do you have any physical conditions that would limit your ability to work on a farm? If so, please explain. Please be completely honest. We don't want to ask you to do something that would be harmful for you.

Unpaid Volunteer

- I understand that the internship program at Homegrown and Happiness is an unpaid volunteer position.

Liability Waiver

- In submitting this application, I have been completely honest about my background and my ability to work on an Urban farm. I also understand that Urban farm work is inherently dangerous, and I could be injured or killed. A few of the MANY potential hazards on a farm include tripping over a chicken or other small animal, slipping on ice or mud, pulling a muscle when lifting something, and being pecked, bitten, or knocked down by an animal. I understand and accept these risks, and I agree that my heirs and I will hold harmless Homegrown and Happiness, the Dodson family in the event of injury or death. I further understand that because Homegrown and Happiness is a VERY small urban farm without paid employees, they are not required to participate in Workman's Compensation.