



TITLE: Food Access Outreach Professional

STATUS: Part-time Temporary Wage Employee at rate of \$16.64 per hour. Position does not qualify for full university benefit plan. Mileage reimbursement from home at federal rate.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: Temporary Part-Time Wage Position (20 hours a week) through December 31, 2021.

REGION OF WORK: Primary region of work includes **Addison County** with secondary region including Washington, Orange, Rutland, Bennington, Windham, and Windsor counties.

QUALIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS:

- Spanish Proficiency; oral & written ability in both English and Spanish languages a must
- Experience navigating social services
- Experience with rural populations including farmworkers and/or disadvantaged populations
- Comfortable with technology including email, instant messaging & database navigation
- Effective organizational, communication and computer skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a statewide team
- Ability to occasionally work non-traditional hours
- Able to pass Criminal Background check
- Driver's license and access to a registered vehicle

REPORTS TO: Migrant Health Coordinator – Farmworker Health

SCOPE OF ACTIVITY: The Food Access Outreach Professional will support increased access to healthy nutritious food and nutrition education for Latinx farmworkers in assigned region. This position will work directly with families to ensure non-English speaking farmworker parents have access to the information and supports needed to participate in federal and state programs available to food insecure & low income households with children. Additionally, the position will support the identification and expansion of culturally familiar foods available through local food shelves and local grocery stores. This position will also increase access to fresh produce and dry goods by strengthening and expanding Farmworker Programming's volunteer network to offer home deliveries to food insecure households through coordination with local gleaning projects and food shelves. The Food Access Outreach Professional works in collaboration with Farmworker Health and Migrant Education Program staff as well as other UVM Extension Programs.

BASIC JOB OVERVIEW:

This is a field and home based position in which the Outreach Professional will:

- Provide education and navigational support to households in assigned region to determine eligibility for and participate in programs available to food insecure & low income households such as the free and reduced lunch programs, WIC, SNAP, and EFNEP.
- Increase access to educational information about nutritious food options
- Engage in outreach with food shelves and other food access points to increase knowledge about target population, culturally familiar foods and food access needs and barriers.
- Collaborate with farmworker households to advocate for the inclusion of a wider variety of culturally familiar foods in areas with significant numbers of immigrant workers.
- Recruit Food Access Volunteers for assigned region
- Create and implement a home delivery plan utilizing volunteers
- Create a “canasta basica” of culturally familiar and nutritionally sound pantry staples to be distributed to new arrivals and households with immediate and significant needs

Please send a cover letter and resume by email to the attention of Kelly Dolan, Migrant Education Program Coordinator, to the following address: kelly.dolan@uvm.edu

Please submit all application materials by Monday, March 15th.

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