

**Organization:** Sustainable Connections

Title: Nursery Sales and Merchandise Assistant

Location: Cloud Mountain Farm Center, Everson, WA

Term: Full to Part-time, hourly, introductory employee (90 day period before becoming regular

employee), non-exempt. **Reports to:** Nursery Manager

**Application Deadline:** Position open until filled

Desired start date: January 2022





# **Summary**

Cloud Mountain Farm Center is a non-profit farm and education center, dedicated to providing hands-on learning opportunities to new and experienced farmers as well as home gardeners. We operate a retail nursery that serves both local and national customers via in-personal shopping and seasonal mail order. We specialize in regionally adapted fruit trees and edible fruiting woody plants, while also carrying a selection of other woody ornamentals and some perennials. We are looking for someone who enjoys working outdoors, working with a small team to care for plants and help our customers get the right plants for them.

### **Working Conditions**

This position works routinely outdoors in all weather, as the nursery & backstock areas are outdoors in uncovered areas. There are indoor bathrooms and breakroom spaces available, cubbies for personal belongings, refrigerator/microwave etc.

### **Working Hours**

8 hours a day, full time (up to 40 hours per week) or part time (16-24 hours per week) positions available. One weekend day required.

## **Primary Responsibilities:**

#### Sales:

- Order fulfilment of online orders for shipping or pick up
- Engaging with the public as a sales staff and as an educator
- Collaborating with the nursery team to design attractive & functional nursery areas
- Ringing up customers using the point-of-sales (POS) system.

### **Inventory organization & management:**

- Stocking plants
- Maintaining inventory organization in retail and backstock areas

### **Nursery growing:**

 Weeding, potting, pruning, staking, irrigation and fertilization of both container production and field stock.

Assisting in propagation and production projects as necessary

# **Required Skills & Qualifications:**

- Knowledge of at least some groups of ornamental, native and fruit plants
- Experience operating a cash register and POS (point-of-sale)
- Familiarity and ability to use Microsoft Suite Programs
- Ability to lift 25 lbs. repeatedly
- Ability to work outdoors in all weather
- Ability to take direction, keep organized and on track, quick to learn.

#### **Preferred Skills & Qualifications:**

- Orchard experience
- Landscaping, light equipment, construction, or tractor experience

# **Compensation:**

\$14-\$16 hourly depending on qualifications and experience. First year, regular full-time employees (working 40hrs/week) accrue 16 days per year of paid time off, and an individual benefit of \$350 per month. The organization offers up to a 3% match SIMPLE IRA non-designated retirement plan.

## To apply:

Email a cover letter and resume with three professional references to <a href="maryt@sustainableconnections.org">maryt@sustainableconnections.org</a>.

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