
Invest in the future ... Sponsor the Prairie Farm Corps !



Is your organization committed to:

- Youth Development ...
- Job Skills Training ...
- Sustainable Agriculture ...
- Healthy Eating ...
- Bilingual Education ...



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The Prairie Farm Corps Program is a paid job training opportunity at the Prairie Crossing Learning Farm for diverse teens from central Lake County Illinois. Participants are involved in all aspects of a sustainable agriculture business from seed to market, with critical job skills and learning built into the program. The Prairie Farm Corps provides work, expands job skills, and strengthens young people's connections to their food system, environment and community.

Support from the business community is vital to the Prairie Farm Corps. Your sponsorship is an investment in the future of the Lake County work force! Some participants are inspired to pursue additional opportunities in sustainable agriculture. **All** participants:

- Learn marketable **job skills** applicable to any future job.
- Gain confidence and **maturity** through hard work and dedication.
- Expand their abilities to **grow** and **cook healthy food**.
- Increase the **health** of their families through the income, knowledge, and vegetables they earn.



Cultivating Youth AND Vegetables ...

“This has impacted me so much that I want to go into agriculture or environmental studies ...” (NBC Chicago News, 7/15/2011)

“I was proud of myself. We all thought [lunch] was good. I never knew I could do something like that before” (Grayslake Patch, 7/11/2011).

“I brought home many things including broccoli, zucchini, kohlrabi.... Because I keep bringing home delicious vegetables, my family actually eats better.”

“I was given more responsibility than I ever had before. I learned how to communicate even more professionally with my co-workers But best of all, I gained a sense of self wisdom.”

“When I went to market I had to use my English.... it was the first time that I spoke English besides school.... I need this language to do something in this country.”

“Working this summer has given me a lot of confidence in what I am capable of doing.”

Thank you for your generous support of the Prairie Farm Corps!

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Sponsor Benefits

Sponsors receive the benefits at their donation level, plus all lower-level benefits

\$250 Donation:

- A Prairie Farm Corps T-shirt
- Recognition in a Prairie Farm Corps newsletter distributed to CSA members

\$500 Donation:

- Your logo printed on the 2012 Prairie Farm Corps T-shirt
- Recognition in at least three Prairie Farm Corps CSA newsletters, and a link to your organization's website.

\$1,000 Donation:

- Your logo printed on the 2012 Prairie Farm Corps Farmers Market banner
- Program report documenting program highlights, measurement of objectives, and participant success stories.

\$1,500 Donation:

- An invitation for two people to attend the celebration dinner at the Prairie Crossing Farm and meet the Prairie Farm Corps participants
- One-week sample membership in the Prairie Farm Corps CSA (mutually agreeable date to be determined)



Yes, I want to sponsor the Prairie Farm Corps!

Organization Name: _____
Physical Address: _____
Contact Person: _____
Email Address: _____
Organization Website: _____
Contribution Amount: \$250 \$500 \$1,000 \$1,500 \$_____ T-shirt size: S M L XL

Please return this form with your check payable to the **Liberty Prairie Foundation** by **April 25, 2011*** to:

Prairie Crossing Learning Farm, Attn: Erin Cummisford
32400 N. Harris Road, Grayslake, IL 60030

The Prairie Farm Corps is managed and underwritten by the Prairie Crossing Learning Farm, a program of the Liberty Prairie Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The Learning Farm is located on the Foundation's 100 acre certified organic farm within the Prairie Crossing conservation community. The mission of the Prairie Crossing Learning Farm is to educate and inspire people to value healthy food, land and community through experiences on our farm.

Questions? Contact ecummisford@prairiecrossing.com, or 847-548-4062 x 11.



* Donations received after April 25, 2011 continue to be greatly appreciated — however, program timeframes will not allow your logo to be printed on the Prairie Farm Corps T-shirts or Farmers Market banner.

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