



Green & Grow Apprenticeship Program

Do you enjoy working outside with your hands, spending time in nature and learning about the environment? If so, the Green & Grow Apprenticeship Program is for you!

The **Green & Grow Apprentice Program** is a workforce development program that helps young Bostonians become effective and reliable employees through working and learning in an urban park. The program combines job readiness training with career exploration, environmental education, academic support, team-building, personal attention from mentors and attractive compensation. The Green & Grow Apprentice Program runs after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays as well as on Saturdays, for ten months during the school year.

Who is eligible for the Green & Grow program?

The program is open to all who are:

- residents of Boston
- between the ages of 17-20
- enrolled in the Boston Public School system or a GED program
- interested in learning about sustainability and the environment
- interested in landscape maintenance and event support
- experienced working in the outdoors

What do Green & Grow participants do?

Apprentices:

- work directly with Conservancy staff to gain hands-on experience in horticulture, park maintenance and event support
- receive support in writing resumes and preparing for interviews
- participate in the Junior Achievement of Eastern Massachusetts job readiness program
- explore a variety of environmental careers
- receive academic support through tutoring and GED-preparation
- engage in experiential learning activities that promote environmental sustainability and civic engagement
- go on educational excursions
- develop and facilitate presentations on subjects learned during the program

What is the schedule?

- Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 3:00 PM-6:00 PM
- Saturdays from 9: 00 AM-3:00 PM
- Apprentices work a total of 15 hours per week
- The first semester of the program is 15 weeks long and runs from September 15-December 22.
- The second semester of the program is 21 weeks long and runs from January 10-June 2.

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How do I apply?

Send applications and a letter of recommendation to the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, 185 Kneeland Street, Boston, MA 02111 or fax them to 617-292-2705, attention Kent Jackson. **Applications are due by August 12, 2011.** For more information about the Green & Grow Apprenticeship Program, please contact Kent Jackson at 617-603-7731 or kjackson@rosekennedygreenway.org.

Please provide a recommendation letter (from a teacher, coach, past employer, etc.) with the application. Family members cannot be used as references.

Applications received without out a recommendation letter will not be accepted.