

Internship Opportunity:

Regenerative Agriculture at Sweet Wheel Farm & Flowers

About Sweet Wheel Farm & Flowers: Sweet Wheel Farm & Flowers is a 6-acre farm established to address the need for fresh food access in our community. Operating under the umbrella of the Santa Barbara Agriculture and Farm Education Foundation, we are on a mission to empower the next generation of farmers while ensuring food security for food-insecure communities. We provide educational resources for sustainable agriculture, advocate for the benefits of fresh food consumption, and foster a sense of community through food. Our commitment extends to donating food to individuals and charitable organizations, promoting natural and organic farming practices, and creating a sanctuary for organic farming and green spaces.

Internship Overview: Our Regenerative Agriculture Internship at Sweet Wheel Farm & Flowers is designed for students interested in gaining experience in small-scale sustainable agriculture. As an intern, you will have the opportunity to engage in all aspects of the farm. We believe in nurturing your individuality and will tailor the internship to your interests and passions. Whether you're keen on digging into sustainable farming practices, expanding our social media presence, delving into nonprofit management, or operating our farm cart, there's a place for you here. This isn't just an internship; it's a platform for you to explore your interests and contribute meaningfully to our farm and community.

Please note that this is an unpaid internship, and participation does not imply an offer of employment. However, we are happy to collaborate with academic institutions to offer this internship for college credit.

Internship Activities: Here's a glimpse of what you can expect to delve into:

- **Farm Production:** Engage in all stages of farm production, from bed preparation to harvesting, washing, and beyond.
- **Leading Farm Volunteers:** Guide and mentor farm volunteers, sharing your knowledge and passion for agriculture, and fostering a sense of community among volunteers while ensuring that farm activities run smoothly.



- **Special Project Development:** Contribute to a special project such as creating a native seed library, establishing a pollinator garden, or organizing educational workshops to enhance community awareness.
- **Social Media and Outreach:** Enhance our online presence by managing social media platforms, creating engaging content, and fostering connections with our audience.
- **Nonprofit Operations:** Gain insights into nonprofit operations, fundraising, and community outreach.
- **Farm Cart Operations:** Take charge of our farm cart, interacting with customers, sharing farm stories, and promoting our produce.
- **Implicit Bias Training:** Participate in training sessions to enhance your awareness and understanding of our implicit biases and how this affects our actions.

Qualifications: We welcome interns with a variety of backgrounds and interests, but we value the following qualifications:

- A strong passion for or genuine interest in sustainable farming and local food systems.
- Availability to commit to a minimum of 10 hours per week.
- Preparedness to work outdoors in various weather conditions.
- Possess excellent communication and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a collaborative team.
- Eagerness to learn, collaborate, and make a meaningful impact on our community.
- A commitment to social justice and the desire to support diverse communities.

Additional Details:

- **Scheduling:** This internship offers flexible scheduling to accommodate your busy school schedule. You can tailor the hours per week to fit your availability, with a minimum requirement of 10 hours per week. However, we ask that you commit to at least one scheduled volunteer shift per week. The farm is open Monday-Wednesday and Friday-Saturday 7 AM 3 PM.
- **Application Process:** Please send your resume, cover letter, and availability to <u>volunteer@sbafefoundation.com</u>. Together, we'll tailor an internship that aligns with your interests and goals.



• **Alternative Opportunities:** We aim to accommodate individuals with varying physical abilities by offering alternate activities that align with their strengths and skills.

Location: The internship will take place at our Summerland Farm located at 201 Temple Street and our office at 2325 Lillie Ave.

Thank you for considering our Regenerative Agriculture Internship at Sweet Wheel Farm and Flowers. We look forward to welcoming passionate individuals dedicated to creating a positive impact on our community through regenerative agriculture.