



The Greene Family Foundation Youth Agricultural Program

The Greene Family Foundation youth agricultural program honors the legacy of Addison and Ruby Moultrie Greene, in Alvin, South Carolina, has been a hub of sustainable agriculture and community building for generations. The program aims to pass on this rich agricultural knowledge to the next generation of youth in the community. The program is open to up to 6 participants aged 10-14 and will consist of two seasonal programs: a spring/summer program and a fall program.

Spring/Summer Program:

1. Introduction to Agriculture - Introduce the participants to the basics of agriculture, including plant and soil biology, irrigation, and the importance of healthy soil.
2. Soil Health and Composting - Teach the participants about the importance of soil health, and how to test and improve soil quality. Introduce composting as a method of improving soil health and teach participants how to create and manage a compost pile.
3. Seed Starting and Planting - Teach the participants how to start seeds, including which types of seeds to use and how to care for seedlings. Provide hands-on experience planting seeds and transplanting seedlings in a greenhouse or outside garden beds.
4. Local Crops - Focus on planting and caring for local crops such as tomatoes, peas, and sugar cane. Teach participants how to plant, care for, and harvest these crops.
5. Intercropping and Companion Planting - Introduce intercropping and companion planting as methods of maximizing space and productivity in the garden. Provide hands-on experience intercropping and companion planting various crops.
6. Garden Maintenance and Pest Control - Teach participants how to maintain a healthy garden by properly watering, fertilizing, and pruning plants, and how to identify and control common garden pests.
7. Herb Gardening - Focus on growing local medicinal herbs such as mint, basil, and rosemary. Teach participants about the different uses of herbs, such as in teas, tinctures, and cooking.
8. Harvesting and Preserving - Teach participants how to properly harvest and preserve crops, including canning, pickling, and drying.
9. Community Agriculture Solutions - Provide participants with an overview of community agriculture solutions such as community gardens, seed sharing programs, and farmers' markets. Invite guest speakers from local organizations and businesses to speak about their experiences in community agriculture.
10. Local Crops - Focus on planting and caring for local crops such as collard greens, cabbage, and okra. Teach participants how to plant, care for, and harvest these crops.



Fall Program:

11. Tree Care and Fruit Harvesting - Teach participants how to care for local fruit trees such as persimmons, pears, peaches, and figs. Provide hands-on experience pruning and harvesting fruit from trees.
12. Perennial Herb Gardening - Focus on planting and caring for perennial herbs such as echinacea and lavender. Teach participants about the different uses of perennial herbs and their importance in a sustainable garden.
13. Food Preservation and Storage - Teach participants how to properly store and preserve harvested crops for fall use, including drying, canning, and freezing.
14. Local Crops - Focus on planting and caring for local fall crops such as collard greens, broccoli, and cabbage. Teach participants how to plant, care for, and harvest these crops.
15. Final Project - Work with participants to develop a final project that demonstrates their learning and experience in the program. This could include a community garden design, a garden journal, or a cooking demonstration using the crops they have grown.



Terms and Disclosure Agreement

1. **Eligibility:** The program is open to up to 10 participants ages 10-14. Participants must be able to attend all sessions of the program
2. **Program Dates:** The program will run in two sessions, one in the spring and one in the summer. Each session will last for 6 weeks, with sessions currently scheduled on Saturdays from 8:00am-11:00am, subject to change.
3. **Program Curriculum:** The program focuses on community agricultural solutions and education, with an emphasis on local crops, herbs, intercropping, and tree crops. Participants will gain hands-on experience through lectures, workshops, and field trips to local farms and community gardens. They may also visit other farms as part of the program.
4. **Participant Commitment:** Participants are expected to attend all sessions of the program. They must arrive on time, be respectful to others, and participate actively in all program activities. Participants are also expected to complete any assigned homework or project work.
5. **Liability:** Participants and their legal guardians acknowledge that the Greene Family Foundation is not responsible for any injuries or damage that may occur during the program. Participants and their legal guardians are responsible for any medical expenses that may be incurred during the program.
6. **Confidentiality:** The Greene Family Foundation respects the privacy of all participants and their families. Personal information provided to the foundation will be kept confidential and will not be shared with third parties without written consent.
7. **Media Release:** Participants and their legal guardians acknowledge that photographs and videos may be taken during the program for use in promotional materials, and grant permission for their likeness to be used in such materials.
8. **Consent:** By signing below, the participant and their legal guardians acknowledge that they have read and understood the terms and disclosure agreement and agree to abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by the Greene Family Foundation.

Participant Name: _____

Participant Age: _____

Participant School: _____

Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



Name/School

123 Main

City, State ZIP

Date

Dear [Principal/Headmaster],

I am writing on behalf of the Greene Family Foundation - a local charity based in the Alvin community of Saint Stephn, SC - that honors Addison and Ruby Moultrie Greene. Our foundation is committed to improving the lives of individuals and communities through education and community development, with a specific focus on sustainable agriculture.

We are excited to announce a youth agricultural program we will host in the Alvin Community of South Carolina, and we are contacting local schools to invite students to participate. The program is open to up to 10 participants, ages 10-14, and will focus on community agricultural solutions and education, with a focus on local crops, herbs, intercropping, and tree crops.

We believe that your school would be an excellent source of potential participants for our program. We are seeking students who are passionate about sustainability and community development, and who are eager to learn more about agriculture and its impact on the environment and the community.

The program will run for two sessions, one in the spring and one in the summer. Each session will include hands-on learning experiences, including lectures, workshops, and field trips to local farms and community gardens. Participants will learn about the basics of agriculture, soil health and composting, seed starting and planting, intercropping and companion planting, herb gardening, garden maintenance and pest control, harvesting and preserving, and community agriculture solutions.

We believe that this program will be a wonderful opportunity for local students to learn about sustainable agriculture and community development, and we are eager to work with your school to identify potential participants. Please let us know if you have any students who may be interested in this program, and we will be happy to provide more information and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Kalana L Greene

On behalf of the Greene Family Foundation