

Post Title: Waste Reduction Project Champion

Reports to: Project Manager, Project Director

Start date: 12th April 2017

Type of Contract: 12 month - until 30th March 2018 (*renewable subject to additional funding*)

Location: Woodfarm Education Centre

Hours per week: 25 hours

Salary: £20,000 pa pro rata

Purpose of the position:

To support the project management team in the delivery of the Healthy Living and Sustaining East-Renfrewshire project, which will innovatively build upon the work carried out previously at a local charity-run community centre, addressing pressing climate change issues on household waste reduction through a number of innovatively themed interactive workshops; targeting **500** members of the BME community to reduce **413.87** CO2e tonnes, with an active focus on recycling and up-cycling initiatives and a regular Swap Shop. This will be coupled with promoting new eco-friendly initiatives, through changing current travel behaviours via adoption of sustainable low-carbon transport choices, particularly monthly Cycle Skills Training and a focus on public transport, not only improving health but benefit the local economy in creating more vibrant, sustainable communities.

Essential skills:

- Educated to degree level or equivalent in a related subject area.
- Previous community engagement experience, preferably within climate change or waste reduction.
- Knowledge of key climate change issues particularly regarding household waste reduction, with a large focus on textiles/clothing, and how these issues relate to individuals, community, business and local government organisations.
- Previous workshop organisation/delivery experience preferably skills based, with excellent IT and presentation skills.
- Able to liaise/network with local organisations in a range of areas (workshop planning, community textile recycle bin, collecting community stories) to achieve project targets.
- Diplomacy is central to this role. The candidate will have experience of communicating and engaging with a range of BME and wider community on sustainability and climate change issues to drive our ambitions to deliver our climate change project goal.

Responsibilities:

Successful delivery of household waste reduction section to deliver targets:

- Cut CO2e by 400 tonnes in the WEC community by targeting 500 regular community users focussed on household waste reduction, by a focus on reducing, reusing and recycling to reduce landfill waste and overconsumption.

- Behavioural change and awareness of the relationship between climate change and upcycling through innovatively themed workshops and interactive four digital stories to aid in educating the targeted BME community of 500 WEC community users network, leading to less waste going into landfill.

Through:

5 community swap shops,

A focus on the 3R's (reduce, reuse, recycle)

Upskills workshops: Repair, Restore, Renovate and Maintain

Needlecraft training workshops,

Installation of textile recycling bin,

Social media promotion/updates,

Workshop promotion,

Regularly collecting & collating data from community users,

Collecting digital stories of community users (audio recordings and images).

Apply: Full application to be sent by email to: info@greenguardians.org.uk & admin@woodfarmeducationcentre.org.uk to include: a full CV, contact details for 3 referees & a covering letter identifying relevant skills, experience & expertise

Closing date: 5:00pm Friday 7th April 2017.

Interviews: To be held Monday 10th April. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

For further information/informal enquiries email info@greenguardians.org.uk & admin@woodfarmeducationcentre.org.uk