Organization: Vermont Fresh Network Open Position: Program Associate Hours: Full time Location: Richmond, VT (with option for some remote) Salary: \$30,000



The <u>Vermont Fresh Network</u> (VFN) is a 501(c)3 organization founded in 1996 to promote connections between farmers and chefs, and engage the dining public in supporting the local food system.

Our network is diverse and includes a range of culinary professionals, farmers, and food artisans. We support transparency and verification in local foods marketing; VFN Partner Members meet established criteria for purchasing from local farm partners. We undertake a variety of projects each year, from agricultural and culinary tourism to market development around specific Vermont products to participation in statewide policy initiatives. Our signature event, the Annual Forum Dinner at Shelburne Farms, draws a sell out crowd every year and celebrates the best of Vermont food. We also manage <u>DigInVT.com</u>, a collaborative food & farm tourism website, which we consider our "sister" site.

The program associate will undertake a variety of administrative and project-related tasks. This is a new position that will assist the Executive Director and Membership Manager.

## **Responsibilities include:**

- Research and update events on DigInVT.com
- Other DigInVT website content updating
- Support member renewal process **database** inputs, monthly mailings (mail merge)
- Social media support for both VFN and DigInVT accounts
- A small amount of image editing and graphic development
- Other general organizational and office support (programs, projects, event planning, promotion, coordination, email marketing, copy editing, and office mailings)
- Staying on top of member news, Vermont food and farm events, and any other information relevant to our members

## Ideal candidate has:

- Strong attention to detail and problem solving skills
- Good communication skills using a variety of resources (e-mail, social media, in-person, etc.)
- Prior administrative experience
- Interest in digital marketing and social media
- Excellent computer skills
- Experience with digital content management systems and nonprofit donor management software a plus (we use Little Green Light)
- Positive attitude and team player
- Prior experience in a similar field or position
- A Bachelor's degree
- Access to a personal laptop and vehicle

To apply, please submit a cover letter and resume to info@vermontfresh.net with the subject line "Program Associate". If you are invited to an interview, we will ask for three references and a brief writing sample at that time. Deadline for applications is March 20th. Interviews anticipated in early April, with a start date at the end of April.