

**Summer Position: Camp Metacomet –  
Sharing the Harvest Farm Counselor**



Camp Metacomet and the Dartmouth YMCA Sharing the Harvest Community Farm Project are seeking a seasonal Farm Counselor for summer 2009. This position requires a strong interest in working with youth ages 4-13 in a garden setting. Applicant should possess a creative mind and spirit, with knowledge and interest in agriculture and/or gardening.

Sharing the Harvest is a 4 year old project located at the Dartmouth YMCA. Campers and community volunteers contribute time and energy to help grow crops in our 2-acre production garden. All of the produce grown on the farm is donated to hunger relief organizations on the Southcoast through our collaboration with the Southeastern Massachusetts Hunger Commission, a program of the Greater New Bedford United Way. In 2008, we produced more than 15,000 pounds of fresh produce for the Hunger Commission.

We are looking to build upon our recent programming success as well. 2008 was the first year we staffed a dedicated farm counselor working full-time throughout the summer camp season. Camp Metacomet is a busy summer camp offering a wide array of camp activities to more than 300 youth each week. The Farm Counselor will be a part of the camp staff and will work under the direction of the camp director and farm project coordinator.

The Farm Counselor will lead programming for camper groups throughout the camp day. Activities will have an educational focus and will include: planting, tending, and harvesting crops in our production garden as well as planning, development, and maintenance of our children's garden.

This is a seasonal position covering a 9-week camp season, June 22 – Aug 21, and includes additional hours for orientation/training beginning in early June. During camp season position is Monday – Friday, 35 hours per week.

Applicants please mail or email a letter of interest and resume to:

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Application Deadline: Friday May 1, 2009 or until filled. Qualifying candidates will be invited for an interview.