The Garden Project was started in 1982 by early organizers of the **Greater Lansing Food Bank** who wanted to create a longer term solution to the problem of hunger and to promote gardening as a vehicle for community development. Our goal is to cultivate connections so that all community members can have access to fresh healthy foods through gardening opportunities. Since its initiation, the Garden Project has grown to support a network of nearly 530 community gardeners and over 430 home gardeners by providing access to land, how-to education, free seeds and plants, tool lending, a networking hub and more.

Position Title: Garden Project Intern

Number of applicants currently being accepted: two

Hours per week: Between 10-15 hours for 2015 spring semester

Day & times required: Both 9-5 business hours & evening and weekend obligations are to be expected.

Responsibilities: The Garden Project Interns will work directly with Garden Project staff on a variety of tasks. Duties may include:

- Researching and updating educational, outreach and resource materials
- Publicizing and supporting local garden efforts through social media, gardener profiles, and assisting with workshops and events
- Garden season site preparations (independently and with staff/volunteers)
- Staffing GP Resource Center to help with signing in visitors, answering gardening questions, organizing and distributing materials, and maintaining our educational Demonstration Garden
- Supporting volunteer efforts as well as increasing efficiencies within the greater program

Qualifications:

- Knowledge of gardening is helpful but not required.
- Ability to work with a diverse range of people of various social, cultural, economic, and ethnic backgrounds while maintaining a positive attitude.
- Interest in community-embedded development work.
- Demonstrated ability to follow direction and work independently.

Transportation/Location information: The GP office is located by the airport on the north side of Lansing. Travel to our eastside Resource Center and various gardens throughout Lansing is required. Personal transportation is not necessary but preferred.

To apply, send resume and cover letter with start and end dates to:

Julie Lehman, GLFB Garden Program Coordinator: Julie@greaterlansingfoodbank.org

This position is intended to give the reader a general idea of the overall purpose and the main activities and responsibilities that are intrinsic to the position. While the description is intended to be representative, it is not intended to be limiting.