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### **Vacancy Announcement Part-Time Urban Agriculture Specialist**

The Muskingum Soil and Water Conservation District (MSWCD) is accepting applications for the position of part-time Urban Agriculture Specialist. This person will support the establishment and growth of sustainable, urban agriculture in the City of Zanesville and Muskingum County by working with other organizations and providing technical and educational assistance. Applicant must be able to work with a diverse group of agencies, organizations, and local residents.

Applicant must be proficient in MS Office. Familiarity with social media and networking, marketing, and outreach preferred. Must possess strong written and verbal interpersonal communication skills. Must be physically able to work out of doors in all weather and terrains and must be able to physically lift/load large, heavy items. Minimum requirement is an Associate's degree in agriculture, sustainable agriculture, natural resource management, agriculture education or communications, community development, or closely related field of study or an equivalent combination of training and experience. Candidate must be insurable for vehicle operation, have a valid Ohio Driver's License, and be able to successfully pass a drug screening and criminal background check.

A partial list of responsibilities includes:

- Plan and support the growth of sustainable urban agriculture in the City of Zanesville and Muskingum County by working together with other agencies and organizations and local residents
- Implement public outreach and educational programs
- Use various media options (newspaper, TV, radio, social media) to promote the program
- Provide technical assistance to help establish new community garden projects and to support the current community gardens
- Secure additional funding, as needed, for materials and to continue community education/outreach efforts with partner organizations

**This is an intermittent, part-time (average of 8-16 hours per week) position, with the work schedule determined by the Urban Ag Specialist, and as needed/required.** Typical work hours would be between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., but scheduling flexibility is necessary because attendance at some evening meetings and weekend events is required. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Benefits include prorated sick leave and Public Employee Retirement System (PERS).

**The official application and a resume must be received by Friday, January 29, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.** Submit to Muskingum SWCD, 225 Underwood Street Suite 100, Zanesville, Ohio 43701. Application and position description may be downloaded from our website at [www.muskingumswcd.org](http://www.muskingumswcd.org) or may be picked up at the office at the above address Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Cover letter requested but not required.

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