# **Society of St. Andrew**

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# Regional Office Program Coordinator - Job Description

**Title:** Program Coordinator (Mississippi Region)

**Reports to:** Regional Office Director for MS

**Basic Function**: Program Development & Management, Volunteer Coordination

Starting Salary: \$38,000

**Additional:** Position available immediately. Email résumé and cover letter to hr@endhunger.org.

## **Specific Duties and Responsibilities**

## **Program:**

- 1. Establish, oversee, and grow the SoSA Gleaning Network in MS. Work to establish gleaning teams and identify, recruit, and train volunteer field supervisors to glean within the region.
- 2. Organize, execute and oversee gleaning events. Recruit, train, and supervise satellite coordinators and field supervisors to do the same in specified areas of the region.
- 3. Work within budgetary constraints.
- 4. Recruit, support, and thank volunteers from faith based-groups, civic groups, schools, businesses & corporations, etc.
- 5. Establish and nurture partnerships with farmers/growers/produce handlers across the state.
- 6. Coordinate distribution of large loads of fresh produce, dairy, and proteins throughout the region, working with Potato Project Director as needed.
- 7. Develop and maintain a gleaning calendar that charts dates to call growers about harvest progress and loads, and when their fields/orchards will be available to glean.
- 8. Work with SoSA staff and the Harvest of Hope Director when a Harvest of Hope (mission workcamp) event is held in the region.
- 9. Speak about SoSA in a wide range of church and civic settings.
- 10. Produce and mail annual tax letters to produce donors.

#### **Development:**

- 1. Provide social media updates on gleanings and activities in MS
- 2. Assist Regional Director in fundraising activities as needed

#### **Administrative/General:**

- 1. Maintain SoSA Gleaning database.
- 2. Represent SoSA for programs within the MS region.
- 3. Represent SoSA in a wide variety of public and private forums, conferences, etc.
- 4. Provide required reports and other information in a timely way to SoSA Regional Director and SoSA national office.
- 5. Respond to requests for SoSA-related information; assist with mailings, information packets/letters to growers, churches, volunteers etc., as needed.

#### **Necessary Skills and Abilities:**

- 1. Leadership and delegation
- 2. Problem-solving, decision-making
- 3. Ability to recruit and retain interested farmers, gleaning coordinators and volunteers.
- 4. Flexibility necessary to meet the requests of the farmers, coordinate volunteer help, and distribute produce in a timely manner.
- 5. Ability to communicate the work of gleaning in both verbal and written forms and in a variety of settings, i.e. church, school or civic/professional groups

- 6. Excellent computer skills, with solid working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Powerpoint. Willingness and ability to learn new software.
- 7. Physical ability to stoop, bend, and lift up to 50 lbs.
- 8. Access to personal vehicle. (Mileage will be reimbursed.)

**Other information:** Benefits include medical, dental, vision, short- and long-term disability, and 401K plans. Weekend work and occasional overnight travel are required. (Gleaning events frequently occur on Saturday mornings as that is when most volunteers are available.)