

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA  
Employment Skills (Job Interview) Contest  
2021-2022

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS & CONTACT PERSONS**

NOTE: Prepare a letter of introduction to ONLY ONE of the job interview titles listed below. All information on the application, included in the cover letter, listed on your resume, communicated during the interview, etc. is to be true. Approach the contest as if the openings appeared in your local newspaper. ***Please do not contact these individuals and/or companies directly, as this is a Leadership Development Event for the California Association FFA.***

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**Agriculture Business Management – Sales Assistant**

Farm Fresh To You was founded in 1992 as a CSA program offering home delivery of agriculture products direct to households. We are looking for a sales assistant to help our direct sales representatives market and sale Farm Fresh to You's delivery service as well as educate the community on the benefits of supporting local farmers and to empower environmentally-sound agriculture. Major responsibilities will include: signing up new participants for our farm to table service; effective communication skills; and community engagement. Applicants should be passionate about agriculture, the environment and the farm-to-fork movement. Applicants should also be reliable, personable and have a willingness to learn. Send cover letter and resume to: Farm Fresh to You, Attn: Mr. Noah Barnes, 3880 Seaport Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95691

**Agriculture Mechanics – Ag Construction Assistant**

White Horse Construction is looking for skilled and entry level construction workers to join their team. White Horse Construction specializes in constructing and renovating equestrian and agricultural facilities, indoor arenas, sheds, dairy barns and other agricultural buildings. If hired, you will work alongside our skilled crew to learn a broad range of construction skills. Major responsibilities include: pouring concrete; framing, roofing and siding ag buildings; and basic plumbing and electrical installations. Applicants must possess a valid Driver's License, be willing to learn new skills, be responsible and show up to work on time. Send cover letter and resume to: White Horse Construction, Attn: Mr. Bill Pepperdine, 17431 Silverbrooke Drive, Fresno, CA 93740

**Animal Science – Small Animal Shelter Assistant**

Best Friends Animal Society is a no-kill animal shelter located in the greater Los Angeles area. They are looking for a responsible Shelter Assistant to help support the daily functions of lifesaving programs as well as providing care for the animals within the shelter. Major responsibilities will include: providing basic care such as feeding, cleaning, walking and socialization for animals temporarily housed or transported by Best Friends; supporting the completion of pet adoptions; providing new pet parent counselling; working collaboratively with Best Friends' team members; and provide timely communications, work completion, data entry and record keeping. Applicants should have the ability to work with, leash, kennel, walk and handle cats and dogs (including those with health and/or behavioral concerns. Applicants need to have the ability to work in a fast-paced environment, be resourceful and have strong interpersonal skills. Send cover letter and resume to: Best Friends Animal Society, Attn: Mrs. Beth Kennedy, 15321 Brand Blvd, Mission Hills, CA 91345

### **Floriculture – Funeral Services Assistant**

Service Corporation International (SCI) is proud to be North America's leading provider of funeral, cremation and cemetery services. We are looking for an entry level assistant to work with our Funeral Services Manager. Major responsibilities include: working with in-house floral team to place orders for funeral services; inspect and verify all flower vendor deliveries for quality and quantity; transport floral deliveries to refrigeration; assist with floral design preparation such as cutting stems to appropriate length, removing thorns, adding water vessels to stems, cutting ribbon, etc; and sweeping floors, wiping down tabletops, returning supplies to storage and maintaining an orderly floral preparation room. Send cover letter and resume to: Service Corporation International, Attn: Mr. Paul Golden, 1370 Pacific Avenue, Riverside, CA 92505

### **Forestry & Natural Resources – Conservation Resource Technician**

The Coarsegold Resource Conservation District is currently seeking applications for a highly motivated Conservation Resource Technician to assist in the implementation of voluntary projects on private property to create forest management plans, improve water quality, reduce farm run-off, and restore habitat. Applicants should possess knowledge of natural resource conservation principles and science, specifically forestry, rangeland management, nutrient management, erosion, storm water runoff, and/or native plant and animal communities. Send cover letter and resume to: Coarsegold Resource Conservation District, Attn: Mrs. Julie Konno, P.O. Box 1306, North Fork, CA 93643

### **Ornamental Horticulture – Plant Care Specialist**

Founded over 35 years ago, Add Life is one of the top Interior Landscaping/ Plantscaping companies in the Bay Area. We love to design, collaborate and create innovative plant spaces, bringing life into workplaces. Our dedication to our clients begins with finding out their needs, providing unique plant design, followed through with professional installation and total dedication from our service team to maintain the plants. Major responsibilities will include: Water, trim, clean, fertilize and detail indoor office plants and pots at assigned clients on a regular basis; monitor each plants' health and appearance and communicate regularly with the supervisor about plants' conditions; assist with replacing plants as needed; be able to provide customer service when clients ask about plant care; and be quiet and respectful in the clients' workspace. Applicants should have a background in horticulture, have a Driver's License, be responsible, self-motivated, able to work independently and pay attention to detail. Send cover letter and resume to: Add Life, Attn: Mrs. Britney Smolger, 1190 Kern Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94085

### **Plant and Soil Science – Pest Control Assistant**

The CA Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) is looking for a Pest Control Assistant to help perform regulatory inspections on vehicles and commodities at the borders to prevent the introduction of unwanted pests into California. Duties include but are not limited to: Enter the interior of vehicles including trailers, trunks, and passenger compartments of commercial trucks, automobiles and watercraft in order to inspect for and remove any hitchhiking pests (i.e., gypsy moth, zebra mussel, etc.); read and interpret shipping manifests and quarantine certificates in order to determine the contents of shipments; sample and inspect rejected or regulated commodities for pest infestation by collecting samples and using knives, fruit crushers, hand lenses, and microscopes to examine commodities; and apply good public relations techniques to educate and solicit the cooperation of the public and maintain the good image of CDFA. Send cover letter and resume to: CA Department of Food & Agriculture, Attn: Ms. Carrie Sanchez-Julio; PO Box 4357, Sacramento, CA 95814