# VIROQUA FOOD CO-OP PRODUCE STOCKER JOB DESCRIPTION

Purpose: To stock and display fresh produce while prompt, friendly, helpful customer service to help meet department goals for sales, margin, labor and customer service.

Status: Reports to Produce Manager

Level 1 Pay Range \$12.00 to \$ 14.75 / hr

#### **Responsibilities:**

Excellence in customer service is our primary goal. No other task should ever come before serving our customers.

**Customer Service** 

- A. Offer consistent, fair and respectful customer interactions (both internal and external customers).
- B. Ensure a high standard to customer service store-wide according to established customer service vision and expectations.
- C. Provide product information and educational materials to customers and staff.
- D. Ensure quick response to customer questions and concerns.
- E. Understand and communicate the 'cooperative advantage' and the particulars of membership to shoppers and staff alike. Work to advance the mission of the Viroqua Food Co-op through outstanding service to everyone we touch every day.

# DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Assist customers with produce questions and special orders. Offer samples and suggestions for purchase and preparation in friendly, courteous manner.
- 2. Replenish and rotate displays, culling several times daily, and following stocking priorities set by Produce Manager.
- 3. Trim, wash, bundle produce, following priorities set by Produce Manager.
- 4. Dispose of damaged or spoiled goods promptly, record department shrink promptly and accurately.
- 5. Remove trash, clean cases and keep prep and storage areas in clean, orderly condition.

6. Use equipment safely. Fork Lift operation and safety for receiving products/deliveries. Monitor cooler and walkin temperatures, display coolers, and follow procedures for handling breakdowns. Advise Produce Manager of equipment repair and replacement needs.

- 7. Participate in periodic inventory both monthly and quarterly.
- 8. Attend and participate in department meetings and all-staff meetings.
- 9. Perform other tasks assigned by Produce Manager.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to lift 50 lbs. regularly
- Familiarity with, or interest in produce
- Experience serving the public
- Ability to stand for long periods
- Manual dexterity with hazardous equipment
- Ability to project friendly, outgoing personality
- Regular, predictable attendance
- Willingness and ability to grow to meet the changing requirements of the job

# THE FOLLOWING ARE EXPECTED OF ALL STAFF AT VIROQUA FOOD CO-OP:

# **Customer Service**

- Knows and adheres to VFC's expectations for external and internal customer service as outlined in Employee Policy Manual.
- Recognize and act on opportunities to make a customer's day or to make it right for customers with complaints.

#### Communication

- · Communicates openly and honestly with all others in the organization.
- You must have a working phone that receives calls and/or text without delay.
- Communicates respectfully at all times.
- Does not expose customers to internal disagreements.
- Resolves conflicts respectfully and in a timely manner, asks for assistance from appropriate supervisor as needed.
- Communicates needs promptly and efficiently.
- Participates actively in department team and all-staff meetings.
- Stays informed by reading all communications from the General Manager, managers, HR, and in department log books.

# **Mission Integration**

- Knows and promotes the cooperative principles and values.
- Understands Viroqua Food Co-op's Mission and Ends.
- Knows Viroqua Food Co-op and Co-op history.
- Gains and shares natural foods knowledge, continually accesses new information.

#### Personal Effectiveness

- Reports for scheduled shifts, on-time and ready to work.
- Understands and adheres to organizational and department policy and procedures.
- Accepts and offers feedback and suggestions openly and respectfully.
- Accepts direction willingly and follows through with delegated tasks.
- Learns and adapts to new tasks or situations quickly and cooperatively.
- Maintains job-related confidentiality.
- Takes initiative to identify, report and resolve problems before they escalate.
- Operates with a sense of teamwork; incorporates into daily job.
- Provides a positive model for co-workers.

#### **Performance Standards**

Quality of Work:

- Understands technical requirements of job, applies technical knowledge consistently.
- Performs tasks accurately and efficiently, free from errors.
- Performs all tasks according to department procedure.

#### Quantity of Work:

- Performs tasks consistently at an acceptable rate as outlined by department supervisor.
- Organizes tasks efficiently, maintains focus and stays productive.
- Achieves established goals and expected results for the department.

Safety:

- Maintains safe work environment according to all department procedures, federal and state regulations.
- Obtains and maintains any necessary licenses.

• Wears protective clothing as required for position.