Sweetwater Organic Community Farm 6942 W. Comanche Avenue, Tampa, FL 33634

**Application for Apprenticeship Position**

This application must be filled in completely. Do not leave anything blank. If not applicable, please write N.A. Please print legibly in ink or type answers electronically *in italics*. Then, send via email to [office@sweetwater-organic.org](mailto:office@sweetwater-organic.org) We will be accepting applications until the positions are filled, so we recommend submitting your completed application as soon as possible.

Name:

What position are you applying for?

Where did you hear about the position?

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Preferred Personal Pronoun:

Email/Personal Website address:

Are you a Student? If yes, what School do you attend?

Available Start Date:

I can commit to the entire Season from 9/1/25 through 5/31/26 (yes or no - if no, explain):

Please list the Days and Hours you are available to work (includes weekends):

Have you visited or been a member of Sweetwater Farm? If yes, when? Describe your experience with us:

Why are you interested in the Apprentice position?

If you become an Apprentice, list your goals for the ’25-‘26 season,

What are your long term professional / personal goals?

Briefly describe how you have spent the past three years (work, school, travel, etc.):

Specify any past experience or work skills that could be useful in this position with Sweetwater (OR, attach your updated resume):

Farming consists of tasks involving continuous physical exertion and exposure to the elements (sun, heat, rain etc). Do you have any physical limitations that may affect participation?

Are you comfortable and interested in tasks that involve physical exertion? Are you able to lift up to 50 lbs?

During the season, many tasks will need to be performed at an efficient pace. This will require the Apprentice to (1) directly and promptly follow instructions that are given by a manager, (2) show an ability and willingness to become more task-efficient, (3) have good time management skills, and (4) effectively lead volunteer groups. Describe how you see your own strengths and weaknesses in the above categories, and if/how you are working to improve:

(1)

(2)

(3)

(4)

Are you comfortable working with Adults and Children?

Do you have any physical or psychological conditions that will limit your ability to participate fully in the activities you are applying for or that will require special accommodations? If yes, please describe:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Do you have any pending legal issues? If so, please describe in detail:

Please list two references (not relatives) that we may contact. At least one should be a recent employment supervisor:

***Employer Reference***

Name of Company:

Contact Name/Title:

Address:

Phone:

Relationship:

How long did you work for this company?

***Personal / Employer Reference***

Name:

Address:

Address:

Phone:

Relationship:

How long has this person known you?

I understand that this is a stipend position that may include housing / community specified produce. These are only provided while you serve as an Apprentice with Sweetwater. I understand that all Apprenticeship positions are seasonal and will not extend into the next season automatically. I understand that, if accepted, I will have one week to consider the offer. After that one week, the offer may no longer be available. I understand that if I accept the offer, I will receive a contract to sign.

I, (*enter name here)* acknowledge that all the information included in this application is true and complete. I authorize Sweetwater to contact any of the individuals listed above to support this application and give permission for Sweetwater to do a criminal background check as necessary, using all information included in this application, with agencies from this state or any state or federal agency, to the extent permitted by state and federal law.

Signature:

Date: