

## **ABOUT BURNS BLOSSOM FARM:**

BURNS BLOSSOM is a REAL ORGANIC PROJECT & CCOF/USDA certified organic, diversified and regenerative market farm under the stewardship of Mel & Kyle Forrest Burns (previously of Nye Ranch Farm). We farm two locations that are located 1/2 mile apart. Our urban farm is located in the beautiful Barber neighborhood a few minutes from Downtown Chico and Bidwell Park (3,670 acres of oaks, sycamores and the riparian habitat of Big Chico Creek that bisects the city). Our other location is Riparia, just down the street. Riparia is a larger farm and offers us the ability to grow certain crops at scale (garlic!) and experiment with cover crops, occultation and continue to develop our no-till methods.

We focus on human scale farming and hand tools, with the exception of a BCS walk-behind for flail mowing & power harrowing and a four wheel tractor to move compost. We grow annual vegetables, strawberries, herbs and cut-flowers. In 2023 our crops will be sold through two Chico farmers markets, a CSA farm box, restaurants, & grocery stores. BURNS BLOSSOM FARM will slowly become a community hub with several educational opportunities and events planned for the new year.

Farming is what we love, sharing and caring is what we're best at! Our farming practices aim to maximize photosynthesis, increase the soil organic matter, sequester carbon, and nurture the community. Utilizing regenerative farming practices such as cover crops, mulching, intercropping, ramial wood-chip pathways, no-till practices, and pollinator hedgerows. We're always trialing and experimenting with new techniques to foster soil health.

Between the two of us we have 18 years of market farming experience, while we are always striving to learn more ourselves we love to share our successes & failures.

## **JOB DESCRIPTION:**

We are seeking hard working, self-motivated, and good-humored individuals to join our farm!

***March-November starting at \$16-18/hr. D.O.E., Minimum \$500+ end-of-season bonus. Potential for year-round employment.***

Responsibilities involve working on all wash station and field tasks including but not limited to: harvesting crops, transplanting, pruning, broadforking, moving compost,

mulching, trellising, weeding, seeding, marketing at farmers market/farm stand, washing, packing & bagging produce, record keeping, assisting with farm events, and more.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Prior farm experience is preferred. Our intention is to support and nurture your understanding, skills, and appreciation for local, regenerative agriculture, with opportunities to continue to grow with our farm. Must enjoy hard work, a fast pace, good conversation, and vegetables(!). We are looking for those who are serious and passionate about farming as a career. This is a wonderful opportunity for someone who is ready to take on the challenge, responsibility and gratification of farming.

Seeking those who are organized, curious, outgoing and personable.

~ 1+ year of prior farming experience preferred but not necessary.

~ Applicants should be able to work hard and efficiently in all weather.

~ Comfortably lift 50+lbs.

~ Enjoy repetitive tasks.

### **EXPECTATIONS:**

~ Workdays are typically Monday-Friday 8 hours/day in peak season, but shorter in the shoulder seasons. Occasional work Farmers Markets on Wednesday & Saturday, and potential farm events.

~ We average 40hr work weeks and start as early as 6am and adjust with the seasons.

~ Committed to the full farming season.

### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

To read more about our farm visit our website [BurnsBlossomFarm.com](https://BurnsBlossomFarm.com) and Instagram [@BurnsBlossomFarm](https://www.instagram.com/BurnsBlossomFarm).

Applications are open until the jobs are filled, Apply ASAP!

Please email your **RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, & specify the job** you are applying to:

**APPLY@BurnsBlossomFarm.com**

Thank you!

Mel & Kyle Forrest Burns.