Summer 2014 Journalism Internship Land Stewardship Project Farm Beginnings Program

Job Summary:

Report, write and photograph articles for a nationally recognized beginning farmer training program.

Job Responsibilities:

• Conduct in-depth interviews with graduates, mentors and other farmers associated with LSP's Farm Beginnings Program, one of the most successful beginning farmer training initiatives in the country (www.farmbeginnings.org).

• Produce at least three feature stories based on interviews. Articles will be published in the *Land Stewardship Letter*, on <u>www.landstewardshipproject.org</u>, and in various other media outlets. They will also be included as part of the Farm Transitions Toolkit: <u>http://landstewardshipproject.org/morefarmers/farmtransitionstoolkit</u>.

- Take photographs to accompany the feature articles.
- Option of developing multi-media audio slideshows based on interviews (depends on time and resources available).

Job Requirements:

• Ability to write clear, concise, accurate journalistic-style articles for a general audience.

• Willingness to learn how to communication information on a multi-platform level using various communication tools: feature writing, blogging, podcasting and digital photography.

• Ability to provide own transportation to and from interviews (generally within a threehour radius of the Twin Cities, Minn., Metropolitan Area).

• Ability to work independently and to meet deadlines.

Timing, Work Schedule & Location:

• This is a summer internship (June-August 2014).

• Will work closely with LSP's communications coordinator in the organization's South Minneapolis office.

• Will participate in weekly meetings with the communications coordinator, but after initial training will mostly work independently.

Compensation

• A stipend of \$1,500 is available, plus expenses.

Applications

• Send a cover letter, resume and three writing samples by 5 p.m. Friday, April 18, 2014, to: Brian DeVore, Land Stewardship Project, 821 East 35th Street, Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55407-2102; phone: 612-722-6377; e-mail: bdevore@landstewardshipproject.org

The Land Stewardship Project

The Land Stewardship Project (LSP) is a private, nonprofit organization founded in 1982 to foster an ethic of stewardship for farmland, to promote sustainable agriculture and to develop sustainable communities. LSP is dedicated to creating transformational change in our food and farming system. LSP's work has a broad and deep impact, from new farmer training and local organizing, to federal policy and community based food systems development. At the core of all our work are the values of stewardship, justice and democracy.

LSP is an equal opportunity employer.