

## Jonah Tabb - Resume

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Areas of Specialty	Work Experience
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 seasons of organic farming.</li> <li>5 years of managing full and part-time staff and volunteers.</li> <li>Developed and implemented organizational structures for starting farms in non-profit and commercial contexts.</li> <li>Designed and oversaw community gardens in underserved communities.</li> <li>Developed and taught gardening and horticultural curriculum in multiple environments.</li> <li>5 years creating and implementing vegetable production plans to meet the USDA Organic Program standards.</li> <li>Trained and supervised work crews from 5-20 members.</li> <li>Implemented plans and record keeping systems for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greenhouse management</li> <li>Planting schedules</li> <li>Budget projections</li> <li>Weed management</li> <li>Integrated pest management</li> </ul> </li> <li>Proficient in Word, Excel, and cloud based database management.</li> <li>Experience with tractors,</li> </ul>	<p><u>Vegetable Grower</u> <span style="float: right;">Apr. 2020 - Present</span></p> <p><u>Produce Clerk (Part Time)</u> <span style="float: right;">Jan. 2020 - Apr. 2020</span>  <i>Fresh Thyme Farmers Market</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restocks produce to sales floor</li> <li>Rotates product</li> <li>Lifts heavy items (~50 lbs)</li> <li>Provides customer service and direction around the store.</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Farm Manager and Property Caretaker</u> <span style="float: right;">Jan. 2016 - Dec. 2019</span></p> <p><i>Teter Retreat and Organic Farm in Noblesville, Indiana</i> - 120 Acre property that contains a retreat center, organic farm, and walking trails by the White River.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborated with community members to develop and implement the vision of Teter Organic Farm to "Do Good. Eat Well".</li> <li>Managed, planned and grew 5 acres of organic vegetables for sale at a plant sale, weekly farmers market, and vegetable box pick-up program ("CSA").</li> <li>Developed and delivered on-farm educational programming for youth ages 5-18. This includes coordination of farms tours and a 2 week summer farm camp.</li> <li>Established relationships with community partners to provide mutual collaboration and support.</li> <li>Maintained certified Organic requirements and records for farm tasks including integrated pest management, weed control, water use, and seed selection.</li> <li>Prepared monthly and quarterly reports for the board regarding budgeting,</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Horticulture Instructor</u> <span style="float: right;">Nov. 2015 - Dec. 2016</span></p> <p><i>Oakland City University / Putnamville Correctional Facility in Greencastle, Indiana</i> - University-Prison partnership to offer vocational training in horticulture for inmates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Created and taught horticulture curriculum materials, including tests, worksheets and hands on projects.</li> <li>Developed the production schedule for 1 acre garden plot to grow vegetables for donation to local churches and shelters.</li> <li>Facilitated horticulture lessons and projects for a class of 20 students.</li> <li>Managed the propagation and production of over 70 varieties of annuals and perennial flowers in a 14,000 square foot greenhouse.</li> <li>Produced outdoor ornamentals and houseplants for on-site facility beautification and landscaping.</li> </ul>
	<p><u>Farm Manager</u> <span style="float: right;">Mar. 2014 - Oct. 2015</span></p> <p><i>Marigold Hill Organics in Grayslake, Illinois</i> - Certified Organic farm that grows vegetables for 3 farmers' markets and 15 restaurants. 8 acres in production with 5 full time crew members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed an online database to keep records on crops from soil to market</li> </ul>

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<p>riding mowers, and other landscaping and farming machinery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animal Husbandry</li> </ul>	<p>according to USDA Organic Program standards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Managed and trained crew members and volunteers.</li> <li>Projected weekly harvest goals for 3 farmers' markets and 13 restaurants.</li> <li>Delivered oversight and training for all farm tasks.</li> <li>Designed a new farm website and marketing documents.</li> <li>Constructed 3 hoop houses (L 100' x W 12' x H 6').</li> </ul> <p><u>Assistant Carpenter</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>Nov. 2013 – Mar. 2014</u></span></p> <p><i>Mike Dace Construction, Chicago, Illinois</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Installed countertops and countertops in restaurants and office buildings.</li> </ul> <p><u>Farm Hand</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>May 2013 – Nov. 2013</u></span></p> <p><i>Radical Root Farm, Grayslake, Illinois</i> - Farm on 10 acres in certified organic production, serves 100+ CSA members and 2 farmers' markets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performed greenhouse work, including seeding and watering.</li> <li>Performed field work including transplanting, weeding, and harvesting.</li> </ul> <p><u>Woodsman and Horseman</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>Sep 2012 – May 2013</u></span></p> <p><i>Healing Harvest Forest Foundation, Floyd, Virginia</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performed sustainable timber harvesting using draft horses.</li> <li>Responsible for daily care and chores for 17 draft horses.</li> </ul>
Related Experience	Work Experience (continued)
<p><u>Education</u></p> <p><b>High School Diploma</b> Berkeley High School, California</p> <p><b>Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Horticulture Production</b> 2015, College of Lake County, Illinois</p> <p><i>Coursework Includes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organic and sustainable growing practices</li> <li>Intro to soils</li> <li>Plant pathology</li> <li>Entomology</li> <li>Plant propagation</li> <li>Botany</li> <li>Agricultural marketing</li> </ul>	<p><u>Farm Apprentice</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>Mar. 2012 – Sep. 2012</u></span></p> <p><i>Waverly Farms, Burkeville, Virginia</i> - Sustainable Vegetable CSA and pasture-raised animals on over 100 acres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performed daily tasks for care of goats, chickens, and cattle.</li> <li>Maintained and harvested over 20 different vegetables.</li> </ul> <p><u>Outdoor Youth Education Leader</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>Aug. 2011 – Mar. 2012</u></span></p> <p><i>Louisiana Outdoor Outreach Program, New Orleans, Louisiana</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Designed curriculum and led activities with at-risk youth to build self-esteem and team building skills.</li> <li>Collaborated with public schools to integrate outdoors programming with class curriculum and school values.</li> <li>Led activities such as canoeing, hiking, ropes courses and camping.</li> </ul> <p><u>Residential Facility Support Staff</u> <span style="float: right;"><u>Oct. 2010 – Oct. 2011</u></span></p> <p><i>Odyssey House Academy, New Orleans, Louisiana</i> - Odyssey House is a residential</p>

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- Nursery production
- Greenhouse management
- Tree and shrub Identification
- Perennials, annuals, and weeds
- Small engine maintenance

**Certified 'Sustainable Harvest and Resource Professional'**  
Virginia Department of Forestry

**Food Modernization and Safety Act Training** Purdue Extension Service.

### Community Service

- Consulted for creation of a school garden.
- Served on the advisory committee for Growing Healthy People (A veteran farming non-profit).
- Mentored at Youth Emergency Assistance Hostel (youth shelter.)
- Hurricane relief in Mississippi and New Orleans gutting houses and other volunteer work.

facility for 12-18 year olds.

- Facilitated activities and discussion groups for youth.
- Provided mental health support for youth

Lead Project Manager and Office Manager  
2010

Jun. 2008 – Apr.

and Aug. 2010 – Oct. 2010

*Lowernine.org, New Orleans, Louisiana* - A non-profit focused on rebuilding houses and community after the destruction of Hurricane Katrina.

- Planned and set-up an urban farming project, transforming 2 vacant lots into a micro-vegetable farm.
- Collaborated with community leaders and non-profits to organize initiatives address lack of access to fresh food.
- Helped homeowners plan and start backyard vegetable gardens.
- Communicated with the county extension service and ATTRA for developing site-specific and sustainable community garden models.
- Trained volunteers and homeowners in gardening tasks.
- Coordinated projects for diverse groups of up to 600 volunteers a day.
- Built and maintained a database for integrated management of volunteers and donors and over 200 rebuild projects.
- Prepared monthly reports for grant funding accountability.

Farm Hand

Apr. 2010 – Aug. 2010

*Orchard Pond Organics, Tallahassee, Florida* - 60 family CSA project on a 20 acre certified organic vegetable and chicken farm

- Performed daily irrigation of 7 fields and a hoop house.
- Performed a variety of farming tasks, including planting and harvesting.
- Mentored a high school farm intern.

Handyman

Jun. 2008 – Oct. 2015

*Self-employed, Various Locations*

- Performed carpentry, sheetrock, plumbing, fencing, and electrical.