Urban Farmer / Nursery Worker, Australian Ecosystems

- Bangholme, Southeast Melbourne, Australia
- Salary range \$70,000 plus super depending on qualifications and experience.
- Access to a vehicle from company vehicle fleet, for work related travel

Australian Ecosystems nursery grows several million indigenous, native and landscape plants per annum for the creation of sustainable landscapes, wetlands, and the restoration of waterways, nature, and habitat, making a positive impact on climate change. As we take on more large-scale ecological restoration projects, our nursery division is growing strongly and is an exciting and dynamic place to work. We have also designed and constructed Melbourne Skyfarm (www.melbourneskyfarm.com.au), a high-profile rooftop farm in the heart of Melbourne including rooftop farming areas, composting facilities and outdoor education areas.

We have a unique opportunity for dual role within our Nursery. This role will be responsible for overseeing all the Urban Farms directly owned or contracted to Australian Ecosystems, 2 days per week and working in the Nursery in plant propagation and general nursery labour 3 days per week. Melbourne Skyfarm will fully open to the public in first half 2025 and at this time the role will become full time urban farmer on Melbourne Skyfarm and other urban farms in Greater Melbourne.

Join our vibrant team at Australia Ecosystems, dedicated to promoting sustainable urban agriculture and enhancing local food systems. We're looking for an enthusiastic Urban Farmer/Nursery Labourer to help cultivate and maintain our urban farms and nursery.

As key member of our team you will be responsible for:

- Plant, maintain, and harvest a variety of crops and nursery plants.
- Implement sustainable farming practices, including soil management and pest control.
- Assist with irrigation and water management to optimize resource use.
- Engage with the community through educational programs and outreach initiatives with schools and corporates on Skyfarm
- Maintain cleanliness and organization of farm and nursery areas.
- Collaborate with team members and volunteers to achieve farm goals.
- Assist with propagation of nursery plants, plant loading, despatch and delivery

About You

- Experience in urban farming, food production, gardening, or horticulture
- Current drivers' licence is required.
- Knowledge of sustainable agricultural practices, composting and worm farming and food growing
- Strong physical stamina and ability to work outdoors in various weather condition
- Excellent communication skills and a passion for community engagement and education
- Willingness to learn and adapt in a dynamic environment.
- Self-motivated, self-organized and able to complete tasks within designated timeframe and prioritise accordingly.
- Strong ability to share knowledge, provide guidance and advice to other employees.
- Experienced in driving medium rigid trucks, holding a current MR License is advantageous.

Be part of a mission-driven organization that values sustainability and community. Gain hands-on experience in urban agriculture and plant care. You will be joining a growing business with a high-performing culture who value people first, with a passion for delivering high-quality outcomes.