Background

Who is FACCES:
- The Family, Adolescent & Child Community Engagement Service (FACCES) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
- Location: South side of Columbus, Ohio
- Mission: Community engagement & child-driven
- Vision: Families receive equitable and dignified support. Children are excited about learning and life!
- Programs: Food Education and FACCES Academic Navigation System

On the Job

Administration:
- Managing outreach efforts by connecting with other organizations
- Engaging with families in the community and encouraging participation
- Record and transcribe daily team meetings
- Plan and oversee 8 events – each serving 10 to 100 beneficiaries

Greenhouse Management:
- Assisting daily volunteers with Goodwill Columbus to perform greenhouse tasks
- Communicating observations with extension educators from Central State University and The Ohio State University
- Cultivating 21 raised beds, one hydroponics tower, and one aquaponics tank
- Conducting routine water quality testing on aquaponics tank
- Documenting the production of produce by weight and amount distributed weekly

Reflection

- Non-profit work is challenging and rewarding
- First job that I have been given administrative experience – I really enjoy it!
- Passionate about urban agriculture – I want to learn more!
- Maintain the connections I have made through the organization

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