



WORK & TRAVEL USA

Block Island Gourmet - Housekeeper

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

Block Island Gourmet is a catering and hospitality business based in beautiful Block Island Rhode Island. Our company is based at the Historical Sullivan House Inn <https://thesullivanhouse.com> and we specialize in Weddings and Special Events and provide accommodations and vacation services to the general public.

The Sullivan House is set on a 10-acre lot with a water view on all sides. Our guests enjoy the beach which is adjacent to our business and on the property, we offer biking, sports, kayaking, and a summer health environment for guests and staff to enjoy. Our food services are considered some of the best in the region and are influenced by Classical French and modern American.

The owner Sean Kivlehan is from Ireland originally and worked Block Island as a J-1 Visa student in 1995. We understand the J1 program very well and strive to see our students get both work experience but also to learn about the American way of life and the rich culture that makes up the United States. Our students are encouraged to visit the major cities and cultural places such as Plimoth Plantation Massachusetts famous as home of the Thanksgiving that is still celebrated today. We hold staff BBQs and cultural opportunities over the summer. if you love a beautiful environment with endless outdoor fun and a friendly family-owned business and quality work environment then Block Island Gourmet / The Sullivan House will be a good fit for you

See: www.thesullivanhouse.com www.blockislandgourmet.com

Host Website: <https://www.thesullivanhouse.com>

Site of Activity: Block Island Gourmet

Parent Account Name: Block Island Gourmet

Host Address: 605 Corn Neck Road Block Island , Rhode Island , 02807

Nearest Major City: Boston , Massachusetts , Over 50 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

The housekeeper will work with our in-house team to maintain the rooms of The Sullivan House for our guests. The job includes cleaning, light laundry, and upkeep of the main areas of the interior Inn. There are opportunities to work with our high-end kitchen team if one is interested in extra hours and learning the skills of a hotel dining facility. Weekends offer opportunities to participate in the wedding and events services if one is interested.

Typical Schedule:

A typical schedule is 5 days per week 7 am to 3 pm or 10 am to 6 pm. Open 7 days per week but 5 or 6-day weeks can be requested Extra opportunities in our catering services for ambitious students.

Seasonal changes to job duties or available hours: Yes

In the opening season, our team worked together to get the business opened to full capacity. By the end of June, we have a set schedule

Drug Test required: No

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: \$15

Eligible for Tips: Yes

yes, the housekeeper makes tips.

Estimated weekly wages including tips: \$680

Bonus: Yes

if students complete the season and is honorable, honest, polite and shows leadership we give a Golden handshake related to their effort

** All figures above are pre-tax*

Estimated average number of hours per week: 40

Estimated minimum number of hours per week: 35

Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 50

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

hours increase when we have a big wedding and the team do more hours to get ready. we have plenty of US-based part-time staff to call but many of our students like to participate in these events

Average number of hours per week reached by last year's seasonal employees: 40

Overtime Policy:

Yes, paid after 40 hours

Job-Specific Benefits:

Good pay, great housing, friendly team, free meals on duty, lots of learning, high-end business with quality food and venue. The Sullivan House resort amenities are available to students on days off.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

English Level required:



Intermediate

Required to be 21+: No

Previous Experience required: No

Qualifications & Conditions

Lifting

Lifting requirement: 25lbs/11kgs

Description:

sheets, pillows, and general housekeeping - not heavy

Standing for entire shift

Handling cleaning chemicals

Working outdoors

Job Training required: Yes

Length of job training:

2 weeks

Hours per week during training period: 40

Different wage during training period: No

Start on specific day of the week: No

Training requirements:

Our housekeepers and manager will train the new students. We have a returning j1 student and she will be helping in this capacity

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

we provide the uniform. you should bring comfortable shoes

Cost of uniform: \$15

Uniform laundry: Provided at no cost

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

Uniforms are provided for all students

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Company Parties, Trips to Major City, Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions, Will provide information about Events, Local Resources, Attractions/Sites, Local Community, Potlucks or Dinners, Karaoke Nights or Talent Shows, Shopping Trips, Sporting Events

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

Block Island is the playground for NYC and Boston residents. If you get itchy feet you are only a one-hour ferry to the mainland and a 2-hour train ride to Penn Station NYC or South Station Boston. Block Island is such a great place for the summer with sea winds lowering the temps between 72+ avg.

Local Cultural Offering:

We are blessed to have the International Students Center on this island designed to make all welcome and fill your days with endless opportunities to explore and meet new people

<https://www.facebook.com/ISCBlockIsland/>

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Housing Provided: *Yes. Employer Guarantees employer - owned or employer - arranged housing to all hired participants. Required to stay.*

Employer-owned or employer-arranged housing description:

We provide excellent accommodation on Block Island and the weekly cost per student is \$100. All utilities are included. You have access to the kitchen, laundry, and common room for relaxing. All household amenities like showers, beds, sheets, blankets, sofas, and refrigerators, you also have access to our bicycles for the summer and kayaks as we have right beside the water for easy access. you are also across from the beach. 203 Corn Neck Road, Block Island, RI 02807

Lease Agreement: *No*

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

there is basic internet on the island but students can group and purchase high speed

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

Cell services are excellent

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

Normal kitchen access plus laundry

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

Yes, we don't charge for this, all included in rent

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 2

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 3

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 2 - 3

Rooming Arrangement Description:

The house is an apartment-style layout so you will share a room with one or two others. You can request a room with a friend. we

don't allow mixed rooms with males and females. Each sex will be in separate rooms so they have privacy. We expect students to follow the cleaning up schedule so the property remains clean for the summer

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: Yes

Cost per Week: \$100

Housing Cost Deducted from Paychecks: Yes

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: No

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time

Estimated commute time: 15 to 30 minutes

Description: max 10 to 15 min depending on bike or walking

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

We will help all students get to Block Island as it is very easy to get here. Here is some general information but more will be provided as we know what airport you arrive at. Boston or NYC are the most common for European students.

Please send you itinerary within two weeks of arrival

There is no direct connection from Boston to Block Island. However, you can take the train to New London, take the walk to New London, then take the ferry to Block Island. Alternatively, you can take a vehicle from Boston to Block Island via the Convention Center, Providence, RI, Rhode Island Convention Center, Galilee, and Point Judith Ferry Terminal, Narragansett, RI in around 5h 29m.

Suggested Arrival Airport:

Boston Logan, BOS, Over 50 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: \$25 to \$50

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Hampton Inn

20 Hotel Drive,

Wakefield, Rhode Island 02879

401-788-3500

\$75 to \$100

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: No

Social Security Number:

Require participants to apply for SSN before arrival at worksite: No

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

At the local chamber of commerce, we have a support team that aids this process.

Nearest SSA Office: Block Island , Rhode Island , Less than 10 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

We pay weekly by check

Meal Plan: Optional

Estimated Cost Per Day: \$0

Meal Plan Description:

Free meals are provided when on duty. restaurant food

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes

Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

We expect our employees to be good representatives for our business so looking after your health and grooming is important. Shower daily and present well for work, please.

Second Job Availability: Yes, likely

Applicable Company Policies:

We offer a high-quality work environment with the opportunity to learn skills in the hospitality industry and also enjoy the atmosphere for a family-run business. Please no casual phone usage on duty, wait for break time, and if emergency then it is ok. No smoking inside buildings. there are places outside to smoke if needed. Our schedule is flexible in May and June so we can move students around jobs to see what is best suited to each person. The schedule is firm for the busy seasons of July, August and September

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Walking Distance from Worksite:

Food Market, Post Office, Bank, Restaurants, Fitness Center, Internet Cafe, Public Library

Walking Distance from Housing:

Food Market, Post Office, Bank, Restaurants, Fitness Center, Internet Cafe, Public Library

Unavailable:

Shopping Mall