

Good Food Jobs is devoted to connecting people looking for meaningful food work with the businesses that need their energy, enthusiasm, and intellect. GFJ now has 35,000 registered users and has posted over 8,000 jobs.



CO-FOUNDER, DOROTHY WILLIAMS-NEAGLE

"I realized that the world I grew up in – small farming, land stewardship, real food, open minds – was the one I felt most connected to."

Dorothy was born and raised on a small farm in Kentucky, where her parents grew vegetables, raised dairy goats, tended beehives, and tilled the soil with a team of horses. It was only after she escaped the rural life in her studies at Cornell University, and then in her role as an Interior Designer for a prestigious architecture firm in New York City, that she rediscovered her passion for food and the environment. Following a traditional career path had worked out beautifully on paper, but she found herself yearning for more opportunities to work with people directly and to actively contribute to environmental conservation and sustainability. Now she's returning to her roots as co-Founder of Good Food Jobs, promoting the food industry in all its local, sustainable, small-batch glory, and helping others to find sustainable roles in the food world. The experience of following each perceived step to success through high school, college, and the working world and winding up unfulfilled taught her that it's better to do work that you passionately believe in, even if it's a challenge to seek it out or to define it to others.

Dorothy's preferred speaking topics include conservation and environmentalism, farm living, and career transitioning. You can frequently find her at home raising a toddler, obsessing over what to make for dinner, and scouring the web for inspiring photography and design.

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