## Contract Job Opportunities with MCG Office of Food Systems Resilience

## Apply by August 18th

Montgomery County (MD) government launched a newly created <u>Office of Food</u> <u>Systems Resilience (OFSR)</u> in 2022 to develop and maintain a strategy for improving the efficiency, equity, sustainability, and resilience of the food system in Montgomery County.

The OFSR is seeking candidates through Athena Consulting for two full-time contract staffing positions to support OFSR initiatives, a <u>Communications and Operations</u> <u>Coordinator</u> and a <u>Community Partnerships Coordinator</u>. Core goals for these positions include:

- Engage public and private sector partners to communicate information, provide effective, efficient, and culturally sensitive technical assistance and support in accessing and administering resources;
- Solicit insight and feedback to inform County policies and programs;
- Collaborate with a wide range of food system partners including food assistance providers, farms and food businesses, government agencies, social services organizations, community advocacy and philanthropic organizations, residents, and more to equitably and effectively implement and maintain new strategies, as well as enhance existing structures.

Positions have a start date of September 2024 and a projected end date of June 2025 with the possibility of extension contingent on available funds. These positions pay \$28.00 per hour and are hybrid roles requiring two days per week in-person at a Rockville, Maryland location. (This may change based on performance or OFSR needs).

For full position descriptions and qualifications, and to apply, please see the postings on Athena Consulting's website linked below. **The priority deadline for application review and submission is** <u>August 18, 2024</u>.

- Communications and Operations Coordinator
- <u>Community Partnerships Coordinator</u>

**About the OFSR:** Through fostering public-private partnerships with the community toward systems change, the OFSR expands upon the County's investments in ensuring equitable and dignified access to nutritious, culturally diverse foods for all residents and harnesses the unique strengths of business, nonprofit and government partners to

enhance the health of our people, our economy, and our natural resources. Learn more about the OFSR here: <u>https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/ofsr/</u>

## **OFSR Core Values:**

- Equity: all efforts should address social injustice and racial disparities to build equity in our community.
- Systems-based: strategies should focus on identifying, maximizing, and addressing the interconnections of food issue areas, simultaneously contextualizing their benefits and their impacts on production, access, natural resources, education, and economy.
- Innovation: to transform our food system, novel approaches, creative ideas, and best practices models from other jurisdictions are critical.
- Data-driven: strategic policy and investment decisions require intentional and reliable data collection and analysis and solutions with clearly defined success metrics and measurable impact.