Fellow Name: Theo Hooker

PIFP Partner Organization: Groundwork Denver

Please give a brief description of what you do for your organization:
My primary tasks include: financially valuating the company greenhouse to determine if it is economically sustainable in the long run, researching potential partnerships with local restaurants and marketability of our produce, working in the greenhouse and in urban farms around the Denver area.

What’s the most interesting thing you’ve learned in your fellowship so far?
Aside from the financial analysis I’ve done, I’ve learned a lot about urban farming and how we can help eliminate food deserts in lower income communities.

Why did you want to become a PIFP Fellow?
PIFP seemed like a great way to use my financial/economic foundation to help create more self-sustainable communities. PIFP is also a great way to work with people who are passionate about their work.

What activities outside of your work do you enjoy?
I love to hike, backpack, mountain bike, and be outside whenever possible. Being new to Denver, I’ve been doing a lot of exploring the city.

What is something most people would be surprised to know about you?
I took a ballet adjunct this past semester, and I really liked it. Plus, the instructor said I have “ballet feet.”