

Healthworks Community Garden Volunteer Role Description

Are you passionate about gardening and creating beautiful outdoor spaces? Join us as a Community Garden Volunteer and play a vital role in maintaining our beautiful Healthworks community garden. This volunteer opportunity offers you the chance to contribute to the upkeep of a vibrant and inviting green space while gaining valuable experience in garden maintenance tasks.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Garden Maintenance Tasks: Perform basic gardening tasks such as weeding, pruning shrubs and bushes, grass cutting, planting, painting ad jet washing. Maintain plant beds to enhance the garden's beauty and diversity and general upkeep.
- 2. Health and Safety Awareness: Operate Garden maintenance equipment safely and responsibly, following health and safety guidelines.
- 3. **Organisation and Communication:** Work collaboratively with other volunteers and staff members to complete tasks efficiently.
- 4. **Commitment to Task Completion:** Demonstrate commitment to finishing tasks that have been started, ensuring that the garden is always well-maintained.

Requirements:

- **Previous Gardening Experience:** Experience tending to domestic gardens and operating garden maintenance equipment is preferred.
- Health and Safety Awareness: Understanding of health and safety principles and the ability to work safely in a garden environment.
- **Organisational Skills:** Ability to prioritise tasks, manage time effectively, and coordinate efforts with other volunteers.





- **Communication Skills:** Good communication skills are essential for working effectively as part of a team and following instructions.
- **Commitment:** Demonstrated commitment to volunteering and willingness to dedicate time to garden maintenance tasks.
- **DBS Check:** Willingness to undergo a basic Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Join Us:

If you're organised, have a green thumb, and are passionate about creating and maintaining beautiful outdoor spaces, we invite you to become a Community Garden Volunteer. Together, we can nurture a vibrant and inviting community garden that brings joy and enrichment to all who visit. Apply now and be a part of this rewarding volunteer opportunity with us!

Benefits:

- **Contribute to Community Space:** Make a tangible difference by contributing to the upkeep of a beautiful community garden space.
- Skill Development: Learn new gardening skills and develop existing ones through hands-on experience in garden maintenance tasks.
- Experience in Commercial Setting: Gain valuable experience carrying out garden maintenance work in a commercial setting, enhancing your CV.
- Enjoyment and Satisfaction: Experience the satisfaction of seeing the garden thrive and knowing that your efforts have contributed to its beauty and vitality.
- Access to Gym Facilities: Enjoy free access to onsite gym facilities at Healthworks during your volunteering period.





- Expenses covered: All commuting travel costs and refreshments are covered and can be claimed back.
- Accredited Training: Access accredited training opportunities to enhance your skills and knowledge, such as MECC, First Aid, Safeguarding etc.

Application Process:

To apply for this volunteer role, please submit your application expressing your interest and outlining relevant experience and skills. The application forms can be found on the <u>volunteering page of our website</u> or at one of our Healthworks Centres in Benwell or Lemington. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an informal chat to discuss suitability and expectations further.

Further information and contact details:

• Visit our website: <u>www.healthworksne.org.uk</u>



- Email: <u>afifa.ahmed@hwn.org.uk</u>
- Visit The Health Resource Centre:

Adelaide Terrace, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 8BE, 0191 272 4244

• Visit The Lemington Centre:

Tyne View, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 8RZ, 0191 2641959

