



AVALON HOUSING inc.

Volunteering at Avalon Housing

We have a wide variety of volunteer opportunities at Avalon, and try to accommodate all volunteers (both groups and individuals) who want to work with us. Events range from single afternoon commitments, to summer long placements. Many of the activities are scheduled for specific dates – these are listed in the calendar that follows. We also have a number of opportunities that are either ongoing or can be scheduled with some flexibility.

All new volunteers are requested to fill out some brief paperwork, and meet with the volunteer coordinator for a short orientation and overview of Avalon before they begin actively volunteering. A copy of our volunteer policies and procedures is available on request.

We are happy to work with youth volunteers, although request that they are accompanied by a parent or guardian if under the age of 16.

For more information about volunteering at Avalon, please contact:
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Current Volunteer Opportunities (April – June 2011)

Gardening and Outdoors (April – Sept)

- Edible Avalon site coordinators
(a summer long commitment)
- Garden raised bed builders
(one day commitment)
- Edible Avalon food, health and cooking tutors for classes
- Gardening With Grace flower planting sessions
(approx. 2 hours per session)
- Spring garden prep – raking, clearing beds and roto-tilling
- The Gardening Gang - ongoing garden support – splitting & replanting perennials, general maintenance & upkeep

Office and Clerical Support (Ongoing)

- Scanning photos & media documents
- Working on Avalon display boards for presentations
- Filing and general office support
- Help with mailings

Community Centers (Ongoing)

- Tenant transportation assistance (must have your own vehicle)
- Teaching / Mentoring tenants (adult and / or youth)
- Legal or other professional service workshops for tenants

Youth Summer Program (Carrot Way, Jun - Aug)

- Daily activity leaders
- Field Trip chaperones
- Fundraising help (car washes, bottle drives, etc.)

Maintenance (April – Sept.)

- Power washing decks, porches
- Re-setting paving stones in path
- Painting, both interiors and exteriors

Ongoing Projects

- The Baking Brigade (on-call volunteer bakers for events and tenant gatherings)



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Calendar of Volunteer Events, April – June 2011

Here is a listing of our current ***scheduled*** volunteer activities for the next three months (April – June, 2011). We do have a number of non date specific opportunities – just contact us for more information!

If you would like to sign up, please contact:

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Calendar Key

 General Gardening	 Edible Avalon	 Maintenance / Construction
 Office / Clerical	 Community	 Youth Summer Program
 Other		

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Volunteer Opportunities April 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1	2 Food Prep / Food Service for small benefit dinner 1pm – 5pm & 5pm – 10pm	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 5pm Third St.	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Raised bed build day 1pm – 5pm Summit St.	17
18 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 3pm Arbordale & Pauline	19 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 3pm Stimson	20 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 3pm E. Davis	21 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 3pm Huron & William	22 Vegetable garden workday 1pm – 3pm Broadway	23 Raised bed build day 11am – 5pm West Park (off Miller)	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Vegetable Garden Prep Day 1pm – 5pm Pear St	

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Volunteer Opportunities May 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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2	3	4 Spring Garden cleanup & roto-till prep	5	6	7	8
9 Spring Garden cleanup & roto-till prep	10	11	12 Spring Garden cleanup & roto-till prep	13	14 Spring Garden cleanup & roto-till prep	15
16	17	18 PLANT DELIVERY AT 411 ASHLEY	19	20	21 Flower Planting 10am – Pear St.	22 Flower Planting 1pm Arbordale / Pauline
23 Flower Planting 5.30pm Broadway	24	25	26 Flower Planting 5.30pm Main & Ashley	27 Flower Planting 5.30pm First & Third	28 Flower Planting 11am Stimson	29
30 MEMORIAL DAY	31 Flower Planting 5.30pm William					

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Volunteer Opportunities June 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2 Flower Planting 5.30pm Division	3	4	5 Flower Planting 11am Huron
6 Flower Planting 5.30pm Broadway	7 Flower Planting 5.30pm Carrot Way	8	9	10 Flower Planting 5.30pm Davis	11 Flower Planting 11am Miller	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Hoop House build with SELMA Time & Location TBD	19
20	21 Summer Program for Youth prep assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way	22 Summer Program for Youth prep assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way	23 Summer Program for Youth prep assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way	24	25	26
27	28 Summer Program for Youth assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way	29 Summer Program for Youth assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way	30 Summer Program for Youth assistance Noon – 4pm Carrot Way			