

Edible Avalon Community Gardens



Edible Avalon Site Volunteer

Our Edible Avalon program depends on Site Volunteers to be successful. These volunteer opportunities are a great way to get connected to your community, to the earth and have a positive impact on a lot of people. So what does it mean to be a Site Volunteer?

- Each Site Volunteer adopts a particular community garden and visits the garden each week to monitor its progress, teach/share organic gardening techniques, and get to know the tenants.
- With help from the program coordinator, plans and directs Planting Day with garden participants-
- Provides feedback to program participants on garden needs, techniques, and responsibilities.
- Is part of a team of site volunteers who share knowledge and experiences and meet monthly to connect and celebrate.
- With Program Coordinator and, especially, resident input, plans ~~additional~~ site-specific programming that may include, for example, grill-outs or classes on preserving food and canning; recipe sharing and cooking techniques for specific vegetables; or (at some sites) developing a children's garden program.

Skills

- **Gardening Experience:** It isn't necessary to have extensive organic gardening experience, but some working knowledge – and a willingness to learn – helps!
- **People Skills:** A large part of the Site Volunteer's role is to work with and encourage our tenants to be more involved, and to help plan and deliver short classes and different experiences with the group.

Requirements

Must be able to comfortably stand or kneel around a raised bed garden, and be able to repeatedly lift 20lbs in weight safely and comfortably.

For more information, or to inquire about becoming a site volunteer, please email jwalton@avalonhousing.org or call (734) 663 5858, ext. 213.