



The Volunteer Thymes

Wasatch Community Gardens — Spring 2019 Edition — 2 pages

Thank you so much for your interest in being a volunteer with Wasatch Community Gardens (WCG). Our grassroots, community-driven nonprofit relies strongly on volunteers in order to make our programs successful!

For more information on any of the volunteer opportunities listed here, or if you have any special skill-sets that would make a great addition to our program, please contact Amber Nichols, our Volunteer and Outreach Director, at amber@wasatchgardens.org or 801-359-2658 x11.



The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

-Mahatma Gandhi



30th Anniversary Plant Sale Fundraiser

Every year, WCG hosts a fundraiser connecting community members with plants for their gardens, all while raising money for the many programs that we oversee! This year marks WCG's 30th year of helping our community produce healthy food for their families, and we want you to be part of the "Best Little Plant Sale in Utah!"

This year, it will be held on Saturday, May 11th in the parking lot at Rowland Hall (720 S Guardsman Way, SLC). We'll be transforming this pavement into a paradise featuring over 70 varieties of tomatoes, as well as annual vegetables, flowers, perennials, and more!

Help us with unloading trucks full of plants grown by WCG staff and participants, event set-up, as well as selling and stocking plants.

All volunteers are granted access to the invitation-only pre-sale on Friday, May 10th, from 5:30 – 8pm. You'll get first pick of all the amazing varieties available, to

purchase in advance for your own garden. If you are volunteering on Friday, we ask that you have a friend or family member shop in your place as we may not be able to send you on a long break.

[Click here to sign up and join us at the Plant Sale!](#)

Small But Mighty Garden Crew

If you are looking for volunteer opportunities in the evenings, the Small but Mighty Crew is for you!

Join us at WCG sites across the valley – we'll be at community gardens, school gardens, our Green Team Farm, and more. Come chat about gardening practices while we put them, well, to practice! We'll be weeding, double digging, mulching, maintaining "you-pick-it" garden spaces, creating garden art, painting, planting, harvesting, and cleaning out plot spaces depending on the time of year. (But mostly weeding – these are gardens, after all!)

[Check our website for dates and locations](#) under the Volunteer page. We can't wait for you to join us in the gardens! This volunteer opportunity is open to individuals and families of all ages.

Lunch Hosts

Are you interested in helping out WCG in a way that doesn't involve getting too dirty?

The Green Team Farm, which employs women experiencing homelessness, needs help creating daily lunches for the farm crew.

This volunteer role can be done once or regularly and is great for the home chef who enjoys preparing healthy meals in new and exciting ways!

If you are interested or want to know more about this opportunity, please call or email us.



What is the essence of life? To serve others and do good.

-Aristotle



Office Tasks

In order to make our gardens the most beautiful they can possibly be, sometimes we have to do some behind-the-scenes office work.

Tasks are available throughout the year for volunteers to join us in our office. This can include data entry, mailing preparations, seed organization, and more! Contact us for additional details.

Group Activities

Do you have a work, school, church, or social group that would be interested in volunteering with WCG?

We have spots available this spring and early summer for groups between 5-30 people to take part in bigger projects with our team!

Install garden beds, take charge of landscaping endeavors, or join as a crew at one of our events!

Working in the gardens is a great way to build community and teamwork!

Green Team Farm

The Green Team Farm has ongoing needs for volunteers. Orientation is held on Wednesday mornings from March through September. [Sign-up for your orientation date today!](#)

Once orientation is completed, volunteers are invited to participate with the crew and will have access to all farm-based volunteer roles. Most take place Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30am - 2pm.

Jump in with us as we raise the seedlings for the Plant Sale, plant and harvest crops for seed, weeding, mulching, composting, and trellising.

No farm or garden experience required. This is a great chance to learn!



Compost Club

Get hands-on experience with the art of composting! This weekly club will teach the basics of composting, from building your recipe, balancing your green and brown inputs, understanding the breakdown process, and knowing when this "black gold" is ready to go into the garden!

Compost club is held at the Green Team Farm (622 W 100 S, SLC) every Tuesday at 2:00pm from April through October.

Come prepared to get dirty and build a compost pile. Closed toed shoes, gloves, and an adventurous mindset are a must!

[Click Here to join us in the "Compost Castle"!](#)



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