

Volunteer Opportunities

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Gardens run smoothly because of the work of many people, coordinated by several key volunteers who each have small but important roles to organize the efforts. Tips about what's involved for each of these volunteers are in the Garden Volunteer section. At some gardens, plot fees are waived as a thank you to gardeners who take on one of these important roles. Here are the volunteer positions:

Registrar

The registrar holds the waiting list for people who want plots, runs Spring Registration, and assigns plots.

Monitor

The monitor, a.k.a. "weed police", has the task of making sure that all garden plots are being used and maintained.

Coordinator

The coordinator gathers the gardeners together for events, workdays, and meetings, encouraging all to share in the work and decision-making of the garden.

Communications Lead

The communications person makes sure gardeners are in touch through meetings, phone calls, mail and email, and arranging the services of interpreters when needed.

Outreach

The outreach person makes sure that people in the neighborhood know about the garden and feel welcome to participate.

Treasurer

The treasurer collects garden fees and deposits them in garden bank account, pays bills, authorizes spending in consultation with other gardeners, and sometimes manages grants that the garden receives.

Grounds Leader

The grounds committee leader organizes workdays to make sure that paths, common areas, hoses, fences, compost, etc are in order.

Social / Education Leader

The social committee leader organizes and publicizes potlucks and other parties at the garden. They can also set up educational workshops (CAC can help) and connect new and experienced gardeners with a buddy program.

Translation

Bilingual gardeners are important as interpreters during events, liaisons through the season, and with translating signs, mailings, etc.

Security

The security leader works on strategies to minimize theft and vandalism.