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Gardener



Position	Gardener Volunteer
Department	Facilities and Estates

VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

Our Vision

A community where people live and die well according to what matters most to them. Everyone affected by life-limiting illness has access to our expertise.

Our Mission

Providing the right care, in the right place, at the right time, to everyone who needs us.

Our Values

“Providing the best possible care in the right place and at the right time to everyone who needs us”

They are at the heart of our organisation and underpin all that we do. They define who we are, how we work, what we believe in and stand for.

- **Compassion** - We show everyone empathy, kindness and respect.
- **Integrity** - We do the right thing, no matter how challenging.
- **Accountability** - We take responsibility for our actions and outcomes.
- **Excellence** - We strive to be outstanding and aim to exceed expectations.
- **Inclusivity** - We welcome and respect everyone.

ROLE PURPOSE

The Hospice is set on 36 acres of stunning grounds with landscaped gardens, flower beds and natural woodland. Our grounds are enjoyed by all our visitors, patients, family and friends.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- **Gardening** - weeding, digging, pruning, planting, coppicing (winter months)
- **Teamwork** - operating as part of a team of gardening volunteers
- **Liaising-** with the Volunteer Head Gardener and fellow volunteers
- **Maintenance** - Lifting and manoeuvring of gardening equipment and rubbish

WHAT SKILLS WILL I DEVELOP?

- Experience and knowledge of horticulture
- Communication - being part of a team of volunteers

WHAT DO I NEED?

- An interest in horticulture
- Good physical fitness level
- Be committed and reliable
- Be friendly and approachable
- Ability to use email/IT

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

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- Wear suitable protective clothing and boots including eye guards and knee pads (the hospice will provide these)
- Where possible bring your own gardening tools
- Garden rubbish should be disposed of in designated areas
- Please do not lift any heavy objects that you are not comfortable with
- Liaise with Volunteer Head Gardener for all tasks
- Please do not repair any equipment but report to the Property Manager
- Demonstrate hospice values
- Please note there is no available public transport to the hospice site

WHAT TRAINING MUST I DO?

- ☒ Hospice Induction Training
- ☒ Face-to-face training when required
- ☒ Attend annual volunteer meeting/event

WHEN WILL I BE NEEDED?

Friday morning 8:30am - 12:00 noon

WHERE WILL I BE VOLUNTEERING?

St Peter and St James Hospice
North Common Road
North Chailey
Haywards Heath,
West Sussex
BN8 4ED

WHO WILL BE MY SUPERVISOR?

Volunteer Head Gardener and Property Manager

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