

Carers' Hub volunteer gardener

Role

The aim of this role is to keep the garden at our Carer's Hub looking tidy and welcoming.

Volunteer Gardeners are expected to have an interest in gardening, and to take the lead in maintaining the garden, from weeding to general tidying.



Location

VOCAL Edinburgh Carers' Hub (60 Leith Walk, Edinburgh, EH6 5HB)

Role description

- Visit the Carer's Hub to tend the garden at least once per month (additional visits during spring/autumn, and less visits during summer/winter)
- Weed the flower beds, ensuring the garden looks neat and tidy
- Plant and rotate seasonal plants and flowers, keeping the garden in bloom all year round
- Ensure shrubs and trees are kept trimmed and neat
- Report any tasks which might require an external contractor or additional resource
- Applicants should have experience or interest in gardening and sustainability, confidence in working alone, and the ability to carry out moderate manual tasks (with reasonable adjustments if needed)

Expectations

- Co-operation with tasks pertinent to your role
- Willingness to attend induction and ongoing training
- Sensitive approach to confidential information received as part of your volunteering role
- Adherence to organisational policies and procedures, including safeguarding and data protection protocols
- Understanding of and commitment to the vision, mission and aims of VOCAL

Commitment

Average around 3 hours per month, but certain times of year will need more visits and some months may require less.

Support

- Group induction with other VOCAL volunteers, delivered by Volunteer Co-Ordinator.
- Role-specific training with centre co-ordinator/volunteer coordinator.

Quarterly meetings to discuss your development goals and help you identify any training you might undertake to support your role.

Other benefits:

- Invited to bi-annual volunteer social events, volunteer forum, and other ad-hoc functions
- Travel expenses (pre-agreed)