

Volunteer Role Profile



Volunteer Role	Volunteer Kitchen Gardener
Volunteer Manager	Grounds Manager
Where you will be based	Hospice

Why we want you

At Chestnut Tree House we will be opening a brand-new Kitchen Garden to supply produce to our hospice kitchens. There are large beds which will cultivate vegetables as well as an area for fruit bushes and trees. An activities area with raised troughs for the children, young people and families to enjoy planting will be at the centre, with paths around the fruit and vegetable beds.

We are looking for someone with passion and knowledge to help us keep the area in tip top condition maintaining and developing the space.

What you will be doing

- Seed sowing
- Bringing on seedlings
- Planting and maintaining raised beds
- Regular maintenance including tasks such as watering, weeding and pruning
- Ensuring the area is kept tidy to eliminate slips, trips and falls
- Interacting with staff, children, young people and families using the area

The skills you need

- A recognised qualification in the Principles and Practices of Horticulture is desirable
- Sound knowledge and practical experience of growing vegetables, herbs and fruit
- Physically able to use tools, dig, prune, weed and plant
- Able to work on your own or as part of our team
- Willingness to carry out instructions from staff
- Reliable and good time-keeping
- Undertake training on Manual Handling and the use of specific gardening tools where appropriate
- Good communication skills
- Able to drive with own car to travel to the hospice site (not accessible by public transport)

What's in it for you

- Induction and training to be confident in your role

- A warm welcome to the team
- All reasonable expenses reimbursed so you are not out of pocket
- Reward of seeing the difference you have made for our families

Disclaimer

We are committed to protecting and keeping you safe. Therefore, we have a comprehensive selection, checking and ongoing management process in place. A Disclosure and Barring check may be necessary for this role, which we will carry out. All mandatory training must be completed, and our policies and procedures complied with.