



# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



**Position:** Part-time Gardener (Two positions available. One at 900 hours per year and one at 1,560 hours per year)

**Location:** Green Spring Garden; 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, VA 22312.

**Hours:** Year-round, part-time work Monday through Friday with some weekends required.

**Salary:** \$17-\$19 per hour, depending on experience and certifications.

We are currently seeking an enthusiastic, self-driven individual to join our team as a Gardener. A Gardener performs all levels of garden and grounds maintenance required to maintain the highest aesthetic standards throughout the property.

## **Duties include:**

### Garden tasks

- Weeding and cleaning bedding areas
- Watering as needed and directed
- Mulching
- Planting seasonal flowers and woody plants. Deadheading and cutting back plants as necessary
- Planting woody plants
- Pruning evergreen and deciduous shrubs and flowering trees
- Propagation work to include cuttings, sowing seeds, potting up
- Operating equipment and vehicles safely
- Maintaining equipment and vehicles safely

### Work with others

- Working under the direction of full-time horticulturists
- Directing the work of volunteers and summer interns

## **Minimum qualifications:**

- College coursework in horticulture, botany, ecology or landscape design or Master Gardener certificate or work experience in public garden setting.
- Basic gardening and garden maintenance skills are required but a passion for gardening is equally important.
- Must be comfortable working outdoors in all types of weather, with exposure to insects, heat and cold. Must be able to lift 50 lbs.
- Familiarity with tools, including pruners, saws, blowers, weeders and edgers. Experience working with volunteers.
- Valid driver's license





# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



## Preferred qualifications:

- Certificate in landscape design or horticulture.
- Knowledge of plants of the mid-Atlantic.
- Basic gardening and garden maintenance skills are required but a passion for gardening is equally important.
- Able to lead groups of volunteers in completing garden tasks.
- Looking for a self-starter who can begin assignments without prompting and plan and organize work in the gardens.
- Computer literacy in Microsoft Word and Outlook.

**Note:** There are multiple part-time positions available.

- One is no more than a maximum of 900 hours in a calendar year. This position is not eligible to receive benefits.
- One is scheduled to work a minimum 1,040 hours and no more than a maximum of 1,560 hours in a calendar year. This position is eligible to receive limited benefits, including: Medical/Vision/Dental Insurance Coverage, Flexible Spending Program, and Deferred Compensation.

**To apply:** Send your resume to [FCPAJOBS@Fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:FCPAJOBS@Fairfaxcounty.gov).

## Necessary special requirements:

- The appointee to this position will be required to complete a criminal background check to the satisfaction of the employer.

If you have any questions, please email [Adam.Bucher@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Adam.Bucher@fairfaxcounty.gov) or [FCPAJOBS@Fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:FCPAJOBS@Fairfaxcounty.gov). Visit us online at [www.fairfax-county.gov/parks/jobs-internships](http://www.fairfax-county.gov/parks/jobs-internships)