



FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



Position: Part-time Gardener (Gardener II)

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

Hours: Year-round, part-time work Monday through Friday with some weekends and holidays 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
- Pruning evergreen and deciduous shrubs and flowering trees
- Propagation work to include cuttings, sowing seeds, potting up
- Operating and 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.





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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.

This position is scheduled to work 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.

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 or FCPAJOBS@Fairfaxcounty.gov. Visit us online at www.fairfax-county.gov/parks/jobs-internships