# Volunteer Position Description

**Green Corps Urban Farmer**

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<th>Campus</th>
<th>Botanical Garden; Off-site at Green Corps Learning Farm</th>
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## Purpose

Green Corps builds life, work and leadership skills by employing and educating high school youth (ages 14 to 18) through sustainable agriculture, place-based learning and community engagement at one of our five urban learning farms.

Green thumbs interested in making Cleveland a healthier and more sustainable community are invited to join our Green Corps volunteer crew. Volunteers work alongside Green Corps youth and crew leaders, assisting with various Garden maintenance duties including harvesting fruits & vegetables, building beds, seeding and transplanting, shoveling, raking and weeding.

Join us to expand your gardening knowledge, enjoy being active and know you are making a real difference to the communities and youth these gardens serve.

## Responsibilities

- Assist with gardening tasks, such as: seeding, planting, weeding, watering, and harvesting.
- Assist with other farm tasks, such as: garden bed building, compost pile turning, mulching.
- Assist community members with their own garden plots as needed.
- Wash and clean produce for selling.
- May assist with farm stands selling produce.
- May assist with farmer’s markets.

## Measure

- Amount of produce available to sell.
- Positive verbal/written feedback.

## Position, qualifications, skills and characteristics

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Vegetable gardening experience preferred, but not required.
- Must be comfortable working outside in various weather conditions and in different neighborhoods.
- Must enjoy working with and engaging teenage youth.
- Good communication skills.
- Must be reliable and punctual.
- Flexibility.

## Requirements

- Complete volunteer application and Cleveland Botanical Garden volunteer orientation.
- Must pass a full BCI and FBI background check.
- Attend Green Corps volunteer training, either a group session or individually.

## Time commitment

- Regular schedule, minimum of every other week
- Tuesday – Friday, 3 – 4 hours between 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Available April - October

## Work environment/site:

- One or more Green Corps learning farms located in Cleveland
  - Midtown – 1945 E. 66th St.
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<td>5406 Fleet Ave.</td>
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<td>2347 E. 79&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; St.</td>
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**Supervision**

Kelly Barrett, Green Corps Manager of Operations  
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**Recording of Hours**

Volunteers post hours in VicNet (online volunteer database) themselves or email hours to volunteer@cbgarden.org. Hours should be entered monthly at a minimum.

**Benefits of position**

Holden Forests & Gardens volunteers are given the opportunity to utilize their talents while gaining valuable knowledge and experience. By donating their time, individuals of a variety of ages and backgrounds are able to serve the community, gain personal fulfillment and interact with people who share common goals and interests. Volunteers will receive additional benefits such as newsletters, store and café discounts, library privileges, invitations to volunteer only events and more based on number of volunteer hours given.

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Volunteer Signature ____________________________ Date __________

Supervisor Initial ____________________________