



LOVELAND LIVING PLANET
AQUARIUM

Position: Volunteer Horticulture Specialist II

Reports To: LLPA Horticulturist

Position Summary:

The Volunteer Horticulture Specialist assists LLPA's staff Horticulturist to maintain and improve the level of plant care throughout the facility and grounds.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Replenishing soil in existing plant beds
- Trimming
- Planting
- Plant source research
- Development of new horticulture plans
- Development of care protocol

Requirements:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must meet one of the requirements below:
 - Current Member of a gardening club, society, or organization
 - Hold a degree in or working towards a degree in Botany, Horticulture, Plant Science, or related field
 - Minimum of 1 – 2 years of experience in the Nursery Industry
- Submit a letter of interest which includes:
 - Area of expertise
 - Background
 - Skills
 - Interests and hobbies
 - submit to volunteer@thelivingplanet.com
- Submit an application at <http://www.thelivingplanet.com/volunteer-opportunities/>

Critical Skills/Competencies:

- Must be able to follow basic instruction.
- Must demonstrate attention to detail.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- With training, have a basic knowledge and understanding of what is needed to become a member of the horticulture team.
- With training, be able to identify most species at LLPA and become familiar with the botanical collection and plantings at LLPA.

Scope of Position:

The volunteer must commit to a minimum one shift every two weeks. A time commitment of at least 6 months is required. The volunteer must attend all trainings related to the position.

Physical Demands of the Job:

- This opportunity requires long periods of standing, crouching, kneeling, lifting, and walking.
- Must be able to work on ladders and elevated platforms
- Must be able to work in humid, high heat, and wet conditions, often on floors that are slippery
- Must be able to lift 50 lbs.

Special Working Conditions:

While this volunteer description attempts to describe the essential functions of the position, it does not prescribe or restrict the tasks that may be asked of the volunteer.

Support Provided:

It is the responsibility of the Volunteer Services Department to:

- Maintain records for all active volunteers.
- Issue all volunteers an identification badge and uniform shirt.
- Provide ongoing support and assistance with volunteer/staff relationships.
- Administer and provide information regarding opportunity and benefits available for active volunteers.
- Provide a written reference pertaining to the volunteer's experience (hours contributed, length of commitment, job description) as requested.

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