



Community Nurseries Volunteer Duty Statement

Volunteer type

Community Nurseries Volunteer

Purpose

To work with Council staff and other volunteers to help achieve the aim of an ecologically sustainable Inner West with a diverse and increasing urban forest that supports connected habitats for flora and fauna (from Our Inner West 2036 community strategic plan).

Supervision

Council staff

Duties and Responsibilities

- Tubing and potting
- Pot washing
- Propagation
- Pest disease inspections
- Maintenance of nursery grounds (e.g., weeding)
- Compiling orders for natural area plantings
- Composting of organic waste
- Seed cleaning and storage
- Seed collection

Location and shifts

- Marrickville Community Nursery, 142 Addison Road, Marrickville
 - Tuesday 9:30am – 12:30pm
 - Wednesday 9:30am – 12:30pm
- Rozelle Bay Community Native Nursery, 22 Wisdom Street, Rozelle
 - Wednesday 9:30am -12:30pm
 - Friday 9:30am -12:30pm

Training

Volunteers must participate in mandatory training required by Council.

Essential criteria

- Aged between 16 and 90 years old.
 - Children under 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian sign their volunteer application form.
 - Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult or guardian or be part of a recognised volunteer program (e.g., Duke of Edinburgh).
- Physical fitness and ability to do the tasks outlined under Duties and Responsibilities
- Capacity and willingness to work as member of a team
- Commitment to treating staff and other volunteers based on the principles of mutual respect, honesty, equal opportunity and non-discrimination
- An appreciation of the natural environment
- Willingness to learn the best practice methods and principles adopted and implemented by Council
- Agreement to work under Council's supervision and direction towards the aims outlined under Purpose in this document
- Agreement to work under Council's supervision and direction in accordance with Council's Work Health and Safety policies and procedures

The following knowledge and experience is useful but not essential

- Weed and native plant identification
- Work health and safety

Clothing and Equipment

Volunteers must

- Wear sturdy, enclosed shoes or boots
- Wear sun smart clothing and sun protection (e.g. hat and sunglasses)
- Wear other clothing appropriate for the season
- Bring a drink bottle

Council will provide:

- Training required to work safely and effectively
- Tools and equipment
- Gloves
- Other Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) and safety equipment as necessary according to Council's Safe Work Method Statements
- Personal Accident Insurance (for volunteers aged 16 to 90 years old inclusive)