



GARDENER

- Flexible (up to 20 hours per week)
- Sick Time and Bereavement Pay
- Pay Range: DOE

MISSION

The mission of the Making A Difference Foundation is to make a difference in the lives of others one person at a time by helping them acquire the most basic human needs: food, housing, encouragement, and opportunity.

JOB PURPOSE & SUMMARY

The garden assistant provides support to the Garden Manager at Making a Difference Foundation. MADF maintains two gardens that provide fresh food for the food bank. The garden assistant helps maintain the growth of the gardens and helps harvest the produce for the food bank. The Garden Assistant reports directly to the executive director, who is responsible for his/her performance evaluation.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Maintaining the garden throughout the year to enhance the gardens wellbeing. These duties may include, but are not limited to, the following.
 - Operate equipment and hand tools such as shovels, rakes, and garden hoses to water, weed, rake, mulch, double dig, and prepare soil for seedlings.
 - Help plant new seedlings and apply mulch for protection.
 - Care for established plants by mulching, aerating, weeding, removing thatch, trimming or edging around beds, walks, or walls.
 - Assisting the master gardener in projects at the garden,
 - Haul or spread topsoil, straw, hog fuel to garden areas as directed.
 - Shovel snow from walks, driveways, parking lots.
 - Gather and remove litter/debris from grounds.
 - Help maintain irrigation systems, including winterizing the systems and spring start up.
 - Support volunteers with hauling of debris,
 - Manage burn pile construction and execution,
 - Assist with various other duties as assigned, which may include starting seedlings, assisting with plant deliveries and harvesting, and managing irrigation systems.

JOB QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

- Able to perform physically demanding tasks. This job can include lifting 50 pound bags of soil and additives, as well as moving loads of soil, debris, food, and mulch with wheel barrels.
- Significant experience in gardening work and a willingness to learn.
- Desire knowledge of organic and sustainable crop procedures and methods.

To apply, please send your resume and cover letter detailing your experience and salary requirements to info@themadfseattle.org.

MADF is an **equal opportunity** employer. All applicants will be considered for **employment** without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran or disability status.

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