



Gardening Volunteers Needed, Please Grow With Us!

Dear Gardener,

January 2013

Legacy Health therapeutic gardens offer special opportunities not only for our patients in their rehabilitation therapies, but also as a restorative setting for patients, visitors and staff. In 1997, we opened the Good Samaritan Healing Garden and the Emanuel Children's Hospital Garden. The Oregon Burn Center Garden was dedicated May 2004. December 2002, an interdisciplinary team in Behavioral Health Services finished planning a garden at Emanuel to serve adult and adolescent patients. We dedicated this new garden October 21, 2008. The Mount Hood Medical Center Garden was dedicated Nov. 19, 2009. Meridian Park Medical Center garden was dedicated November 2011. We continue to need community teams and families to help us with gardening at the Portland Memory Garden, a garden serving community members with dementia and their families. This is a Portland public park open to everyone.

June 2006, the Oregon Burn Center Garden received the Therapeutic Garden Award for best therapy garden from the American Horticultural Therapy Association. July 2000, the Legacy Emanuel Children's Hospital Garden received the same. The Good Samaritan Stenzel Healing Garden received the 1998 Therapeutic Garden Award for our horticultural therapy program and therapeutic garden. August 2003, Legacy gardens were featured in Landscape Architecture Magazine, the publication of the American Society of Landscape Architects. Environment Yale featured our gardens in Fall 2006. April 2010 our program was featured in the Wall Street Journal. These publications outline how gardens enhance healing and restoration for patients and their families. We are gardening, healing and growing at Legacy!

Volunteers are needed for a variety of projects and tasks, including garden maintenance and watering, planting projects, computer work, scheduling/organizing volunteers, assisting with workshop trainings, etc. **Please Grow with Us!**

THERAPEUTIC GARDEN VOLUNTEER INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

Pre-registration is required. We will tour the garden, learn about the requirements for the garden volunteer program and answer your questions. Individual appointments for interviews, volunteer applications, hospital volunteer training and garden program specific trainings take place later.

Volunteer Information Sessions are scheduled for:

Jan 16, 2013	10:00 – 11:00	June 19	10:00 – 11:00
Feb 20	10:00 – 11:00	July 31	11:30 - 1:00
Mar 18	9:30 – 10:30	Aug 7	10:30 – 11:30
Apr 18	11:30 – 12:30	Sept 9	10:30 – 11:30
May 15	10:00 – 11:00		

Please call the Mount Hood Medical Center Volunteer Office at 503-674-1217 to schedule an information session and for meeting location. If this list is past dated, please call the above number for current dates. The Legacy Gardens team and our patients look forward to your involvement to benefit patients, families, visitors, volunteers and staff so they might enjoy special healing and restorative opportunities in our gardens.

Sincerely,

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