

Gardener

Why we need you?

We are looking for volunteers to help provide a regular gardening club for residents and to assist our team to maintain the gardens at our care homes.

What skills do you need?

- A positive enthusiastic person who has a passion for gardening
- Able to offer and implement new ideas for gardening activities to engage our residents
- A caring and compassionate nature that is adaptable to individual needs
- A friendly, sociable, patient and caring manner
- Good verbal communication and listening skills
- Able to emphasise and build relationships with residents and visitors
- Offer wider social contact for our residents

What will you be doing?

- To work with our team to maintain the garden including weeding and preparing for planting, maintenance plus safe use of tools and equipment and providing guidance to our residents
- Work is of a practical hands-on nature running a range of garden projects, including seasonal planting and future development of the gardens
- Prepare gardens for Hallmark's annual competition 'Hallmark in Bloom'

Time commitment

Time commitments will be discussed and agreed; a regular time commitment is preferred. Volunteers must be 16 years old and over and need to apply for a DBS disclosure

What benefits do you gain?

- Opportunity to share skills and knowledge
- To build self confidence and produce gardening projects
- Motivation and self achievement to boost your career options
- Participation in our training and development programme
- New experience and meeting a diverse range of people
- Free DBS Disclosure
- Enriching our residents' day to day experiences
- Making a difference in your local community
- Increase your circle of friends

We provide reasonable travel expenses, a light lunch and polo shirts