Mental Health Center of Denver

DAHLIA CAMPUS FOR HEALTH & WELL-BEING

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY	Market Farm Support
PREFERRED VOLUNTEER START DATE	April
EXPECETED VOLUNTEER END DATE	November
SCHEDULE	**Preference for volunteers who can commit to at least 2 or more hours at a time and at least 8+ Volunteer Days over 3+ months* <u>Mondays (8AM – 12PM)</u> Harvest, farm tasks <u>Mondays (1PM – 4PM)</u> Post-harvest tasks, produce packing <u>Tuesdays (8AM – 12PM)</u> Farm tasks, harvest, food box program support <u>Tuesdays (1PM – 4PM)</u> Farm tasks, post-harvest tasks, produce packing <u>Wednesdays (8AM – 12PM)</u> *Only for volunteers with minimum of 6 weeks on farm* Farm tasks <u>Wednesdays (3PM – 6PM)</u> Farm Stand support
LOCATION	Dahlia Campus for Health & Well-Being
VOLUNTEER SUPERVISOR	Market Farm Manager

PURPOSE

Dahlia Campus Farms & Gardens connects people with fresh, local food. Dahlia Campus features three farms including an aquaponics greenhouse, a 40,000 square foot market farm and Seeds of Power Unity Farm cultivated by Mo' Betta Green. These combined and accessible green spaces support community well-being.

The Dahlia Campus Market Farm relies on seasonal support from volunteers to raise and maintain 100 varieties of fruits and vegetables. Volunteers also support the harvest of items which are included in our Dahlia Farm Stand.

Volunteers will work alongside our farmers and food distribution specialists, providing valuable skills related to growing and distributing food in a community setting. Volunteers will assist with the day-to-day activities of the market farm. Volunteers may be eligible for free and/or discount pricing on produce from the Dahlia Campus Market Farm during their time supporting us.

For more information about the Market Farm visit our Dahlia Campus Farms & Gardens Webpage.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Weeding
- Seeding
- Harvesting
- Transplanting
- Fertilizing
- Bed Building
- Cover Cropping
- Composting

QUALIFICATIONS

- No previous farming experience is necessary.
- Can lift 40 lbs. and are willing to engage in strenuous, physically demanding tasks.
- We take health and safety very seriously and have strict Food Safety and Biosecurity policies. Since this volunteer position involves direct contact with food items, we require that volunteer adhere to the following rules:
    - We ask that volunteers do not smoke on the day they plan to volunteer (this relates to Tobacco Mosaic Virus which can put our crops at risk)
    - Always wear clean clothes, no dangling jewelry, and expect to tie your hair back.

ONBOARDING REQUIREMENTS

If you are a good fit for the volunteer opportunity we will begin our volunteer onboarding process with you which will require the following:

- Background Check
- Fingerprinting (applicable to select locations)
- Proof of Vaccination (COVID-19 Vaccination is required, and Influenza Vaccination is required during Flu Season)
- Volunteer Orientation

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Our organization puts the health and safety of the people we serve, our staff and our volunteers above all else. Volunteers upon onboarding will be asked to review and agree to current organizational COVID-19 safety guidelines.

To apply for this opportunity please complete an individual volunteer application

Volunteer Applications for this opportunity are typically reviewed on the 1st and 15th of the month.