



AVALON HOUSING inc.

Volunteering at Avalon Housing

We have a wide variety of volunteer opportunities at Avalon, and try to accommodate all volunteers who want to work with us. Events range from single afternoon commitments, to summer long placements. Many of the activities are scheduled for specific dates – these are listed in the calendar that follows. We also have a number of opportunities that are either ongoing or can be scheduled with some flexibility.

All new volunteers are requested to fill out some brief paperwork, and meet with the volunteer coordinator for a short orientation and overview of Avalon before they begin actively volunteering. A copy of our volunteer policies and procedures is available on request.

We are happy to work with youth volunteers, although request that they are accompanied by a parent or guardian if under the age of 16.

For more information about volunteering at Avalon, please contact:
Jude Walton, (734) 663 5858 ext 213 – jwalton@avalonhousing.org

Current Volunteer Opportunities (July - August 2010)

Gardening and Outdoors (April – Sept)

- Edible Avalon site coordinators
(a summer long commitment)
- Garden raised bed builders
(one day commitment)
- Edible Avalon food, health and cooking tutors for classes
- Gardening With Grace flower planting sessions
(approx. 2 hours per session)
- Spring garden prep – raking, clearing beds and roto-tilling
- Ongoing garden support – splitting & replanting perennials, general maintenance & upkeep

Office and Clerical Support (Ongoing)

- Scanning photos & media documents
- Working on Avalon display boards for presentations
- Filing and general office support
- Help with mailings

Community Centers (Ongoing)

- Tenant transportation assistance (must have your own vehicle)
- Teaching / Mentoring tenants (adult and / or youth)
- Legal or other professional service workshops for tenants

Youth Summer Program (Carrot Way, Jun - Aug)

- Activity leaders
- Field Trip chaperones
- Fundraising help (car washes etc)

Maintenance (April – Sept.)

- Power washing decks, porches
- Re-setting paving stones in path
- Painting, both interiors and exteriors

Ongoing Projects

- Paper crane making (for awareness raising public display)
- The Baking Brigade (on-call volunteer bakers for events and tenant gatherings)



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Calendar of Volunteer Events

Here is a listing of our current **scheduled** volunteer activities for the next three months (June - August, 2010). In addition to these listed, we have a number of non-date specific needs – please contact us for information!

Volunteer groups that are already confirmed are noted in brackets on the calendar, however, we welcome additional volunteers who'd like to join us!

If you would like more information about a specific opportunity, or would like to sign up, please contact:

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Calendar Key

 General Gardening	 Edible Avalon	 Maintenance / Construction
 Office / Clerical	 Community	 Youth Summer Program
 Other		

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Volunteer Opportunities July 2010

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	2 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	3 Crane Making Party 11am (Avalon Office)	4
5 JULY 4 th (Observed)	6 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	7 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm Garden Cleanup (location TBD)	8 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	9 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	10	11
12 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	13 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	14 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm Garden Cleanup (location TBD)	15 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	16 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	17	18 Crane Making Party 11am (Avalon Office)
19 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	20 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	21 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	22 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	23 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	24	25
26 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	27 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	28 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	29 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	30 Youth Summer Program 10am – 3pm	31 Crane Making Party 11am (Avalon Office)	

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Volunteer Opportunities Aug 2010

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23 Crane Making Party 5pm (Avalon Office)	24	25 Garden Cleanup (location TBD)	26	27	28	29
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