

## The Commons Volunteer Gardener

**Location:** The Commons Park, 425 Portland Ave. S, Minneapolis, MN 55488

**Time Commitment:** In-person, approximately 3 hours per week (flexible)

**Reports To:** Downtown Parks Event Coordinator

### **Role Purpose**

The Commons Volunteer Gardener plays a key role in maintaining the beauty and health of the garden planter boxes located at the eastern corner of the park (4th Street & Park Avenue). Volunteers will contribute to seasonal garden care, ensuring the space remains vibrant and welcoming for the community.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- Assist with seasonal clean-up and preparation of garden boxes.
- Participate in spring annual planting to refresh the space.
- Perform weekly maintenance such as pruning, watering, and harvesting.
- Help install seasonal decor to enhance the park's aesthetic appeal.

### **Preferred Skills & Experience**

- Experience caring for an outdoor garden or green space (personally or professionally).
- Familiarity with using common **outdoor garden tools**.
- Ability to **lift up to 20 lbs** and work while standing for extended periods.
- Familiarity with **Downtown Minneapolis parks**.

### **What We Offer**

- **On-site training and orientation** to get you started.
- **Volunteer apparel** to wear while working.
- **Access to gardening tools** provided on-site.

### **How to Apply**

If you're interested in contributing to a greener community, contact [parksdowntown@minneapolisparcs.org](mailto:parksdowntown@minneapolisparcs.org) to learn more! If you're ready you can apply here and mention "downtown parks" in the interest section.