

VOLUNTEER

Volunteering at the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary



Field-based Volunteer Opportunities

The Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary is a 15-acre, historic, native plant-focused botanic garden with a collection of over 600 plant species. This public garden is a treasure to nature lovers of all ages and wildflower enthusiasts from near and far.

More than 100 volunteers contribute time and energy each season at the Wildflower Garden in the field and as informal docents. By joining one of the Wildflower Garden volunteer programs, you will get to know the Wildflower Garden and the community that supports and visits it in a meaningful way. You'll be able to share your talents and interests while learning about the plants, birds, and other wildlife of this urban oasis.

Please join us!

Friends' Invasive Action Group Volunteer

This program is a great way to stay connected to the Wildflower Garden and to get your hands in the soil to assist with introduced species removal around the Garden perimeter.

Events are scheduled primarily in the spring and autumn months. You'll meet others who are interested in the natural world while helping to promote the health of the Wildflower Garden and surrounds, one weed at a time.

A trained volunteer leads volunteers on evenings and weekends to assist with removing weedy plants from areas just outside the Wildflower Garden. Your name will be added to the Friends' Invasive Plant Action Group e-list and you will be contacted via email periodically with information about future events. Then simply show up, learn about the activities of the day, and get started.

This program is coordinated and led by volunteers from the Friends of the Wild Flower Garden.

Are you interested in volunteering for this program? Please send an email to the Friends Volunteer Coordinator at:
volunteers@friendsofeloisebutler.org

Legacy Volunteer

This program is open to people who have participated in a minimum of two Friends' Invasive Plant Action Group events and are looking for a way to do similar physical work, with more regularity and on their own time. Choosing the time and day that you volunteer each visit is a great opportunity for an individual, family, or group of friends who are self-disciplined and interested in tackling a larger project. It's a great way to spend quality time in the woods as a land steward either by yourself or with your team of family or friends.

Legacy Volunteers assist in weeding introduced plant species in the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden Volunteer Stewardship Area (EBWG VSA) surrounding the Wildflower Garden. After training from the Garden Curator each volunteer takes responsibility for a designated area immediately adjacent to the Wildflower Garden and commits to removing the identified weedy plants in their section for the season.

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Please send an email to the Garden Curator at:
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