

## **Garden Program Volunteer**

**As a member of the Garden/Yard Team, you play a significant role in creating warm and welcoming environment for our families. Under the direction of the Volunteer Group and Sustainability Coordinator and in collaboration with Garden Leads and Family Programs Coordinator, you are responsible for caring for the Ronald McDonald House vegetable garden and ultimately how it is shared and utilized by families. We value teamwork and collaboration and we are grateful that you are a part of the Ronald McDonald House Saskatchewan Team!**



### **Responsibilities**

- Be willing to complete gardening and preparation tasks and include families in the process.
  - Planting
  - Weeding
  - Thinning plants
  - Harvesting
  - Watering
  - Cleaning vegetables
  - Cooking/canning/preparing vegetables
- Ensure the involvement of families in gardening and preparation tasks
- Commit to a regular weekly schedule to accomplish the necessary tasks for the season (regular gardeners may also be offering care and watering to the garden during work bees)
- Regular communication with Volunteer Group Leader or Family Programming on day-of shift
- Determine when produce is in excess for redistribution to community organizations and/or Food Renew
- Be willing to attend group meetings at the beginning, middle and end of the gardening season
- Willing to try something new and problem solve how to make things run better

### **Necessary Skills**

- Possess a clear understanding of RMHC-SK Chapter mission and vision for Creative thinking and teaching skills
- A working knowledge of vegetable gardening and harvesting
- Able to cook and potentially prepare vegetables from garden in order to ensure the produce is getting used ie. pickling
- Organized
- Physically capable – some of the work can be physically demanding
- A friendly and enthusiastic demeanor in order to engage families in what you are doing
- Ability to delegate and direct people in tasks at hand in a safe and appropriate manner
- Team player
- Problem solver

### **Estimated Time Commitment:**

- Approximately 3 hours per week, plus occasional meetings between the months of May and October.