

## National Volunteer Week: April 23-29 Project Descriptions

## SUNDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>

#### First Annual Volunteer Celebration

#### Doyle Center, Leominster

Join us for a fun-filled event to recognize our Volunteer Leadership Team and welcome our newest volunteers to the GP family! Refreshments will be provided.

## Leadership Volunteers Orientation

#### Doyle Gymnasium, Leominster

Leadership Volunteers, including Teaching Garden Gurus, Assistant Gurus, workshop instructors and new Teaching Garden Ambassadors will engage in an orientation to get to know each other and to develop their leadership skills in fun, interactive exercises.

# MONDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> through FRIDAY, APRIL 27

## Locations vary (Leominster, Fitchburg, Clinton) Dates/times to suit volunteer availability

We're gearing up for spring in our community gardens and, this year, want to help create spaces where folks can gather and share.

## Spring Clean Up

Help us spread woodchips in the aisles of our community gardens in Leominster and Fitchburg. The chips provide an inexpensive weed block and a soft surface underfoot for our gardeners.

## **Picnic Tables**

Our community gardeners would love a place to relax and enjoy a meal in the garden! Help us build picnic tables and benches for our Fitchburg community gardens.

#### **Bulletin Boards**

We're looking for skilled volunteers able to assist us in constructing, delivering and installing bulletin boards for our community gardens. Carpentry skills, power tools and trucks are needed!

#### **Storage Sheds**

We're looking for skilled volunteers to help us construct and install walk-in storage sheds for the secure, permanent storage of garden equipment and hand-tools in our community gardens. Carpentry skills, power tools and trucks needed!

## **Garden Installations**

Our recent program graduates are looking to have backyard gardens installed! This is a great project for older school groups or adults looking for a task that can be accomplished in a 3-hour morning or afternoon time frame. No skills required!

#### Seeds, Soils and more!

Help us prepare garden resource materials for our gardeners! We regularly stock our Seed Lending Libraries with individual seed packets and educational information. We also package our own seed starting mix. If you're interested in a quieter, indoor project with the opportunity to chat with other volunteers, this one's for you!

## SATURDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>

#### Earth Day Celebration

#### Doyle Community Park, Leominster

Celebrate Arbor Day by attending one or all of our Arbor Day events designed to inspire treehuggers of all ages! Events include a Tree ID walk, tree-planting workshop and a spring picnic. Details on <u>our Facebook event page</u>.