

Farm Park (Food Forest and Gardens) Volunteer Opportunities

<u>About BCCF's Food Forest:</u> Currently, the west side of the trail that surrounds Black Creek Community Farm is being transformed into a promising Food Forest, where a number of fruit trees, berries, and perennial herbs are being planted and managed, guided by permaculture principles.

<u>About BCCF's Gardens:</u> The publicly accessible space of our Farm Park holds a number of Pollinator Gardens, a Welcome Garden, Pizza Garden, Mushroom Garden, two Bee Hotels and many berry bushes. The gardens on site increase biodiversity and provide important food and nidification resources for native pollinators, as well as some edible plants for the community to taste and learn about the many possibilities of gardening.

Come volunteer with us and help us to continue developing this amazing project! This is going to be a great opportunity for you to meet people, gain and share knowledge, and help build a landscape where the natural environment and food production can be managed in a sustainable way. We envision a space where the community and visitors will be able to walk through BCCF Farm Park to contemplate nature, learn and taste fresh food along the way...

We will carry out a series of activities such as planting, composting, mulching, weeding and invasive species removal, creating and maintaining paths and garden beds. Come prepared to get dirty, learn and share knowledge, and have fun! Tools and gloves will be provided.

Volunteers should dress for the weather, wear comfortable clothing, sturdy close-toed shoes and long pants. Please remember to bring sunscreen and a reusable water bottle.

Farm Park Volunteer Opportunities:

- FOREST AND GARDENS REGULAR VOLUNTEER (weekly commitment expected for a minimum of 4 weeks). As an incentive, volunteers will be given 3 items of fresh produce per day of volunteer work. Tokens available upon request.
 - **Tuesdays**, 9am 4pm (minimum commitment of 3 hours/day expected)
 - Fridays, 9am 4pm (minimum commitment of 3 hours/day expected)

To sign up for a regular position please email marinap@blackcreekfarm.ca

- FOOD FOREST STEWARDSHIP DAYS (Monthly Drop-in sessions, refreshments provided, no application required):
 - Last Saturday of the month: 9am 2pm (June to October, 2018)