



Organic Education Center

*Through education and outreach, we teach
people about the sources of their food and the
ease and abundance of growing food
organically*

GARDEN CREW VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION

We are looking for both beginning and intermediate gardeners to join the Oregon Tilth volunteer garden crew. Garden crew volunteer members will work alongside Tilth educators at our organic demonstration site at Luscher Farm in Lake Oswego. This is a great opportunity for someone seeking to learn about and practice organic gardening/farming techniques. Volunteers will commit to 18 or 36 hours of service. New volunteers must attend an orientation session on April 18. Each work party will last 3 hours, from 9am-12:00pm, and include an array of seasonal garden projects:

- Soil and Bed Preparation: organic bed preparation, crop rotation, soil amending, cover-cropping, mulching
- Garden Maintenance: learn the basics of caring for tools, weeding/chipping pathways and year round garden maintenance
- Sowing and Growing: direct sowing techniques, irrigation, season extension, succession sowing, pruning, interplanting and companion planting, harvesting, organic pest, weed, and disease management.
- Composting: building and maintaining a hot pile, bedding and maintaining a worm bin, sifting and using compost

GARDEN CREW COMMITMENT

Two options to choose from:

- **Spring Season:** Work parties are scheduled from April 18 to June 27, every other Wednesday, 9-Noon at Luscher Farm.
- **Spring AND Fall Season:** Work parties are scheduled from April 18 to June 27 AND August 8 to October 17, every other Wednesday, 9-Noon at Luscher Farm.

The mandatory orientation for new garden crew volunteers will take place on Wednesday, April 18 from 9am–Noon (one hour of orientation followed by gardening) at Luscher Farm.

FARM SITE LOCATION:

Luscher Farm
125 Rosemont Rd.
West Linn, OR 97068

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