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Somerset County Park Commission Environmental Science Department Volunteer Job Description

Job Title: Seasonal Gardener

Job Description: Responsible for helping to maintain the various gardens and landscaping around the EEC

Qualifications:

- prior gardening experience a must
- applicant must have completed high school
- ability to lift up to 25 pounds
- familiarity with use of standard garden and landscape tools
- ability to work independently
- able to take direction

Responsibilities and Tasks:

- Must be able to identify and remove non-native/invasive species with training
- Deadheading of native and ornamental species
- Determine watering needs and amounts for individual gardens
- Transplant natives or ornamental species properly
- Plant (from pots) native or ornamental species properly
- Routinely clean up debris from surrounding trees and shrubs
- Transport and carefully place mulch in gardens
- Communicate with staff and public while working in the gardens

Requirements of the Job:

- Commit to a minimum of 2 to 3 hours per day at least twice a week, Sunday through Thursday between late March until early October
- Attend training for the gardens
- Must be 15 years of age or older
- Attend volunteer orientation training and receive a tour of the EEC
- Demonstrate proper safety protocol including proper work attire

Supervision: Naturalist Maria Rossi will provide supervision. Other staff members may also provide supervision.