



VOLUNTEER GUIDE

The Learning Garden welcomes volunteers every Saturday and Sunday from noon until 3 pm. To garner the best experience, please review the following:

What to bring:

- Hat
- Drinking water/snacks
- Sunscreen
- Garden gloves (we do have some on site)
- Appropriate shoes (close toe shoes)

What to do when you arrive:

- Sign in at the sign in table. (Important for insurance coverage and record keeping)
- Report to a supervisor to discuss your task options for the day.
- Your supervisor will teach proper use of the tools to be used.
- Start small – everything you accomplish is more than appreciated.
- Take frequent water and shade breaks in hot weather.
- Learn and enjoy!
- Turn off all water hoses you are using.
- Return tools to tool area
- Sign out

Some garden policies to be aware of:

1. **Drug and Alcohol Free Environment** – The Learning Garden is housed on the property of LAUSD and follows their rules. Volunteers may not use, possess, sell or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. In addition, there is no smoking or vaping in the garden.

2. **Organic Garden Rules** - We do not use pesticides, fertilizers, synthetic chemicals or genetically modified seeds. Instead we mulch, plant pollinator plants, compost and let nature flourish

3. **Proper Conduct:** Volunteers are expected to follow rules of conduct that protect the interest and safety of all volunteers, animals and garden. Inappropriate conduct will result in banishment from the garden. This can include but is not limited to:

- a. Theft or destruction of any TLG or LAUSD property
- b. Alcohol/drug use on campus
- c. Creating a disturbance on premises; endangering others.
- d. Disrespectful conduct to other volunteers or supervisors.