



## Garden Support Internship

### Internship Description

Olivewood's Garden Support Internship is an opportunity to learn about organic gardening techniques as well as gain insight into the operations of a garden-based education program. The intern will work with the Director of Gardens and Facilities Manager and Garden Support Staff to assist with garden maintenance; including weeding, watering, harvesting, composting, and more. As an organization rooted in community, this role requires active participation in anti-racist work and a commitment to diversity and inclusion. Internships are unpaid, however class credit is available.

### Commitment

The Garden Support Intern will commit to approximately 10 to 12 hours per week for a total of 120 hours.

### Internship Goals

- Practice gardening skills guided by a team of expert gardeners with experience in the areas of organics, nutrient cycling, companion planting, natural pest control, composting, and more
- Experience first-hand the daily operations of a nonprofit garden education center; including growing for a farm-to-table program and planning the garden to accommodate children and adult activities
- Understand local health concerns and education challenges

### Duties

- Oversee and maintain an assigned garden area
- Assist with additional garden tasks outside of assigned area, to include watering, weeding, building compost, digging and clearing beds, planting, harvesting, and more

### Qualifications

We are seeking individuals with an interest in working with people, attention to detail, and an appreciation for the garden. The ideal candidate...

- Is community service minded
- Enjoys working outside
- Is a good communicator and takes direction well
- Can think critically and problem solve
- Is eager to learn and have fun!

This position is open to all majors. Spanish language proficiency is ideal, but not required.



### Organization Description

Olivewood Gardens and Learning Center's historic 7.85-acre property in National City, California serves as an interactive, indoor-outdoor classroom for children and adults from around San Diego County. Our purpose is to build healthy families and a healthy environment. We do this through science-based environmental education and nutrition lessons, hands-on gardening and cooking classes, and job skills and leadership development programs for youth, adults, and families.

### To Apply

Email your resume and cover letter to Sarah Suarez, Volunteer Coordinator at [sarah@olivewoodgardens.org](mailto:sarah@olivewoodgardens.org)