Title: HEAD START - PLAYGROUND CLEAN-UP CREW
Reports To: Maintenance Supervisor or Maintenance Technician
Type: Volunteer Position (Individual or Group)
Duration: April - November, yearly

Position Summary:
Help to beautify the playground! Your efforts will help make learning and attending school a fun and rewarding activity for preschoolers.

Benefits of Volunteering:
Gain facility maintenance experience, landscaping skills, and terrific exercise. Knowledge that you are helping children thrive!

Essential Functions:

Duties & Responsibilities:
• Assist with the maintenance of a Head Start playground and surrounding area. Rake grass/leaves, pull weeds, pick up trash, sweep, move mulch, etc.
• Other duties as assigned

Safety: Responsible for conducting all duties in a safe manner.

Affirmative Action: Responsible to follow affirmative action plan as set forth and signed by the Board of Directors.

Qualifications:

Education & Experience:
• Must be at least 18 years of age or age 13+ with an adult present
• Experience with facilities maintenance, landscaping or yard-work desired

Abilities & Skills: In order to be successful in this position, the volunteer will at minimum need to possess the following abilities and skills:
• Show interest in beautifying an office building, playground and surrounding area
• Ability to work as a member of a team and independently with little supervision Individual or group of up to 30 members
• Must be comfortable interacting with people of diverse backgrounds, education, economic status, and culture
• Fluency in English language. Bilingual in Hmong, Karen, Nepali, Somali, Spanish or another language desired
• Ability to turn in timesheet to the Volunteer Specialist

Physical Requirements:
• Able to physically respond to the demands of yard-work and maintenance tasks
• Capable of lifting 10 lbs desired, and bring your own gloves and rake desired.

Mental Requirements:
Ability to follow instructions and work independently

Environmental Requirements:
Normal office environment. Outdoor temperatures may fluctuate
**Time Commitment:**
- Assist at least once for 2+ hours during weekday business hours
- Battle Creek & Ruth Benner available for Fridays only during the school year. Clean-up must occur when children are not on the playground
- Main Office location has year-round indoor options and seasonal outdoor, Wednesdays preferred
- Specific hours will be arranged by the supervisor
- Register and schedule at least two weeks in advance (one month is desired), due to logistics

**Dates available are**
- April/when snow melts thru May for spring clean-up
- June thru September for summer planting and yard-work, Monday - Friday
- October thru November/until the snow stays for autumn raking
- Winter indoor tasks available (Main Office only) Wednesdays preferred

**Group Size:** One to thirty members

**Locations:**
Battle Creek: 2181 Suburban Ave, St Paul, MN 55119
Ruth Benner: 586 Fuller Ave, St Paul, MN 55103 (Located on the Green Line train route.)
Main Office: 450 Syndicate St North, St Paul, MN 55104 (Located on the Green Line train route.)

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**
Complete a Short-Term Registration Form at www.caprw.org/volunteer and email/scan it to volunteers@caprw.org
Questions? Email or call 651-603-5979

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*Note: The above statements are intended to describe the nature and level of efforts being performed by persons assigned to this volunteer position. They are not intended to be an exhaustive listing of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required, and management reserves the right to make modifications at their discretion.*

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