



## **Spring Seedling Steward**

### Volunteer Position Description

The Spence Neighbourhood Association works with the people of Spence to revitalize and renew their community in the areas of Holistic Housing, Community Connecting, Community Economic Development, Environment and Open Spaces, and Youth & Families.

**Purpose:** The Spence Neighbourhood Association is seeking enthusiastic, passionate, and reliable volunteers to help plant and water vegetable seedlings for our community gardens.

**Location:** Spence Neighbourhood Association office at 615 Ellice Avenue.

**Time Commitment:** February to June, 1 day per week, approximately 2 hours per shift. Flexible hours, preferably weekdays between 9 am – 5pm.

#### **Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Plant vegetable seedlings for community gardeners.
- Water vegetable seedlings on a weekly basis.
- Keep clear records of varieties, timing and location of plantings.
- Transplant seedlings into larger containers as necessary.
- Tidy seed starting area as necessary.
- Move plants outdoors/indoors during hardening off period.
- Assist with the plant giveaway to community gardeners and the plant sale fundraiser.
- Other duties as assigned.

#### **Skills & Qualifications:**

- Knowledge of vegetable plants and experience gardening or starting seeds.
- Physically fit: able to climb stairs and carry 30 lbs.
- Ability to troubleshoot and solve problems with limited resources.
- Capable of working alone with minimal supervision.
- 18+ years

**Benefits:**

- Sense of accomplishment from watching seeds become mature plants.
- Providing low income gardeners with access to vegetable plants for their gardens.
- Opportunity to learn about gardening and growing vegetables indoors.
- Letter of reference upon request (based on performance).
- First choice of seedlings to transplant in your own garden