



Volunteer Guide

Delight Flower Farm Address: *1472 County Rd 500 E, Champaign, IL 61822*

If the gate is closed on arrival please text 402-432-9342.

Park anywhere under the trees on your left when you drive in. You may be greeted on your arrival by well-behaved farm dogs: Rosie & Buddy.

What to Expect

Delight Flower Farm is a woman-owned, sustainable, local flower farm.

As a volunteer, you will be expected to work on pace with our crew. This operation is very different from home gardening. As a business, we have certain daily tasks and goals we need to accomplish. We want you to enjoy your time volunteering while maintaining efficiency. We maintain a safe workplace and avoid injury, so pace yourself and take breaks to drink water as you need.

The work we do can be hot or cold (depending on the time of year), wet, physical, and repetitive. You may be standing on your feet for long periods of time, kneeling, and bending over.

Volunteer duties include; weeding, mulching, planting, washing buckets, etc. If someone volunteers on a regular basis they then will be trained in harvesting flowers, but it is rare for volunteers to do this task.

Appropriate Attire

Closed-toed shoes, preferably work boots, are mandatory. During summer months please wear sunscreen and clothes that keep skin out of the sun. In colder months, wear warm layers. Wear clothes you do not mind getting dirty or wet. We have knee pads if you require them.

A hat, work gloves (can be provided), sunglasses, and long pants are recommended.

Bring a water bottle to keep hydrated. Bringing a change of clothes with you is recommended as you may be muddy or wet on your way home.

Safety

There is heavy machinery and equipment that we operate on the farm. Stay clear of any of this equipment while it is in use.

While weeding you may come across thistles or thorny plants. There is also glass and debris in some areas of soil on the property so please wear gloves to avoid injury. We have some gloves to share. If you are washing buckets, there is bleach or sanitizing agent in the water, so please wear safety glasses while you work.

You may be using hand tools, some have sharp edges, so be mindful of what you are doing while you work. Please, keep any tools you are using with you as you work so that they do not get lost or become a hidden hazard in the grass. Put all tools away or give them to a crew member after your shift is done.

Thank you so much for volunteering!