

Community Nursery Volunteer position description

Role Purpose:

The Community Nursery predominantly exists to provide good quality local plants to assist in the restoration of disturbed landscapes in Ku-ring-gai. Some of which have remnant EEC vegetation eg STIF and BGHF. The plants produced are also used for Citizenship awards, National Tree Day, School projects, Green style garden visits etc. The main role of the Community Nursery volunteer is to assist in the propagation and care of locally occurring native plants and maintaining hygienic working conditions

Reports to: Site Supervisor i.e. Environmental Volunteer Programs Support Officer

Hours: Approximately 3 hours per week

Location: KRG Community Nursery, 430 Mona Vale Road St Ives

Requirements:

No previous experience is required

Nursery work is manual in nature and as such, volunteers should be physically fit

Nursery work requires a flexible, biodiversity-based approach requiring patience and commitment

Commitment to Council's workplace values of, Do what is right, Own our actions, Show Respect and Strive for excellence.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities:

Preparing cuttings and divisions - propagating

Tubing of seedlings and divisions

Potting on tube stock into larger pots

Weeding and watering nursery stock using hoses and watering cans

Collecting and emptying weed collection bins

Seed collecting, sorting & sowing

Preparing soil mixes

Using fertilisers

Pest and disease control using low toxicity applications eg Eco oil

Stock labelling, Record keeping, Counting stock

Maintaining hygienic conditions:

Cleaning of work area using brooms, disinfectant, hoses

Washing and sterilising pots, trays and equipment using disinfectant

Pruning nursery stock

Lifting and moving trays of plants individually or team lifted

Moving trolleys with plants

Other related tasks

What to Wear/Provided:

Wear: Long sleeved shirt, long pants, sturdy, enclosed shoes

Provided: Gloves and tools, light refreshments eg tea and coffee

Bring: washing up gloves

Contact: Environmental Volunteer Programs Officer 9424 0811 bushcare@kmc.nsw.gov.au