

# Urban Farm Volunteer Guidelines

Thank you for volunteering at the Urban Farm! We look forward to working with you and having your helpful hands get stuff done around the farm. Please read over the following information before your first day of service. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at

[urbanfarm@godsstorehouse.org](mailto:urbanfarm@godsstorehouse.org)

The Urban Farm is located at 760 Memorial Drive, Danville, VA 24541

- The farm depends on volunteers like you to operate! Please be sure to arrive on time for shifts or workday events, and please provide us with at least 24 hours' notice if you or your group needs to cancel. We are happy to work with you to reschedule your day of service and can be reached through email
- The Urban Farm is hands-on—we will be asking you to participate in a variety of physical activities that are essential to keeping the farm running as it should, but may not be able to predict what task you will be doing in advance. We thank you for your flexibility! Plan on getting dirty, sweaty, and having fun
- Cigarettes, drugs, and alcohol are not permitted
- Expect to make a mess. Plan to get your shoes, clothes, and hands dirty or wet—please wear appropriate work clothes. We work on uneven, unpaved terrain where sturdy shoes are a must. Flip flops are not permitted on the farm
- We have plenty of work gloves to share, but bring your own sunscreen or bug spray. We will provide a cooler of water for participants, but please bring a reusable water bottle with you to ensure we are reducing plastic waste on the farm!
- Volunteers under the age of 18 must have a parent/guardian volunteer with them
- Groups with children 12-17 years of age must have an adult to child ratio of 1:3
- Personal belongings should be left in your car or kept up with during your time of service. We are not responsible for any lost or stolen personal items
- The Urban Farm reserves the right to cancel or postpone any group or individual volunteer due to inclement weather. Please monitor the weather in the days leading up to your visit. Should heavy rains/snow, thunder, or lightening be called for, we may contact you by phone or email to reschedule your day of service
- Before you end your shift, please leave your space the way you found it and help return tools or equipment to their designated places
- Every group member should sign the volunteer sheet at the beginning and end of their volunteer time
- During your volunteer shift, take a selfie and share how you're #UnitedtoEndHunger! Be sure to tag us on Facebook or Instagram @godsstorehouse1987