



## Jamie's Farm Lewes -Volunteer Gardener

### About Jamie's Farm

Jamie's Farm transforms the lives of disadvantaged young people, with a mixture of low self-esteem, poor behaviour and low attendance and attainment, by providing a unique combination of 'farming, family and therapy' through a five-day residential at one of our rural farms and a thorough follow-up programme. The charity helps children to flourish at home, in education and in the community, and works with teachers to make changes catalysed by Jamie's Farm last.

Volunteering with Jamie's Farm is a fantastic way to fully experience our programme; supporting vulnerable young people in their sessions and developing ways of working with them for yourself.

### Position Summary

We are looking for a volunteer gardener, one to two days per week, to help with the development of our garden and manage our flower garden at the farm. There is plenty of scope for the right person to have a real input into the way the garden is run and how it looks. We currently have several mixed borders, hedges and a large pond that need upkeeping. This may occasionally involve working with children, but not necessarily. You will usually be working on your own or with other staff and volunteers in our beautiful garden.

### Major responsibilities

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Weeding and pruning of the flower boarders and hedges;
- Composting.
- Watering and supporting with growing where needed;

### Essential Knowledge, Skills and Experience

- Experience of flower gardening and relevant knowledge;
- Passion and enthusiasm for gardening.

### Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Experience

- Knowledge and experience of composting and growing vegetables and fruit (preferably organically);
- Horticulture qualification;
- Experience working in social work, therapeutic community or educational setting;
- Interest in the benefits of education beyond the classroom, especially for vulnerable groups;
- Sensitivity to racial, cultural and ideological diversity;
- Ability to exemplify Jamie's Farm core values of respect, empathy, nurture and family.

### Time frame and location

- One day or two days per week

Due to the nature of our work with young people, on acceptance of offer all Jamie's Farm employees are subject to an enhanced Criminal Record Bureau check in accordance with our Child Protection Policy. Jamie's Farm is committed to eliminating discrimination and to encouraging diversity, and operates an Equality and Diversity policy to this end. [www.jamiesfarm.org.uk](http://www.jamiesfarm.org.uk)

- Address: Jamie's Farm, Allington Farm, Allington Lane, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 3QL

**Do you pay travel expenses?**

Yes, we will pay all reasonable travel expenses to and from the farm and will provide a simple lunch.

**Start date:** As soon as possible.

**Apply now:**

Please complete our online [volunteer application here](#).

If you have done so previously, please email [nataliaborg@jamiesfarm.org.uk](mailto:nataliaborg@jamiesfarm.org.uk) to say you are interested in this particular role and what your availability is.

Thank you!