



Hayward Seed Lending Library Volunteer Information

The Hayward Seed Lending Library is a free program of the Hayward Public Library. Our goal is to increase the capacity of our community to feed itself wholesome food by means of education that fosters community resilience, self-reliance, and a culture of sharing. Becoming a Seed Lending Library volunteer is a great way to learn more about home vegetable gardening and to connect with people with similar interests.

Volunteer Activities:

- Processing donated seeds & stocking/organizing the seed catalog
- Growing vegetables and harvesting seeds from your garden for the Seed Lending Library
- Organizing garden workshops, community events, and outreach
- Writing informational brochures for gardeners
- Participating in and organizing meetings and activities for a gardening & seed-savers club (launching in May 2014)

Future Activities:

- Seed-saving projects at school gardens
- Creation of an online community
- Writing articles for the Hayward Library's newsletter

Desirable Knowledge/Skills:

- Vegetable gardening & plant pollination
- Plant families
- Seed saving
- Computer and Internet literacy
- Ability to communicate effectively with adults and library personnel
- Flexible schedule
- Self-direction
- Curiosity
- A life-long love for learning



Volunteer Hours:

Hours are flexible, depending on seasonal activities. We prefer a minimum 4-hour/month commitment.

To Apply:

Please complete the [Hayward Seed Lending Library Volunteer Application Form](#), and a staff member will contact you to follow up. Questions, please contact Sally Thomas, Librarian, at (510) 881-7700 or by email, Sally.Thomas@hayward-ca.gov.

