

Volunteer Opportunity

Fundraising Coordinator for Senior Organic Gardeners

Program of

Canadian Organic Gardeners-Ottawa St Lawrence Outaouais Chapter – COG OSO

The Ottawa – St. Lawrence – Outaouais chapter of Canadian Organic Growers (COG OSO) is a regional chapter of a national charity, whose mandate is to **lead local and national communities towards sustainable organic stewardship of land, food and fibre while respecting nature, upholding social justice and protecting natural resources.** www.cog.ca

We are a lively and enthusiastic group based in Ottawa, and we offer numerous events and programs year-round to support knowledge and skills for farmers, gardeners, educators, children, seniors, and anyone who is interested in eating healthy food and living in healthy environments. Details of our activity are available at our new website: www.cog.ca/ottawa. Nearly all of our activities are coordinated by volunteers. You will have opportunities to learn about fundraising skills for charities and not-for-profits as well as organic agriculture locally and on a broader scale.

Senior Organic Gardeners is a program of COG OSO helping seniors to garden in Ottawa Community Housing, Community Associations and in their own homes.

www.cog.ca/ottawa/programs/senior-organic-gardeners/

SOG is currently seeking a Fundraising Coordinator

This volunteer position involves coordinating local fundraising from eco-friendly companies, associations and individuals to contribute to our Grassroots Local Funds as well as collaborating in the selection of grantors to whom SOG might apply successfully. Oversight of grant deadlines for applications and reports would be included in this position.

We hope you would stay in this role for at least a year or more to build a significant bank of regular local donors as well as to assess and advise the SOG Leadership Team about the Grant and Foundation scene in Ottawa, Ontario and Canada.

This is an opportunity to build important and much in demand fundraising skills for charities and not for profit organizations as well as to make a major contribution to the success of

Senior Organic Gardeners and support the many seniors whose, social, physical, emotional, confidence and cognitive lives are developed and strengthened through gardening.

SOG hopes to achieve a balance of funding from both local business and individual donors and Foundation Grants in order to ensure the survival of this important program for seniors.

Please tell us about your experience and successes with fundraising for charities or Not-for-Profit Groups and your interest in and commitment to seniors, organic gardening and joy from nature. We will ask you for references, a Police Check plus a completed Application Form. Send an e-mail to: sog.margaret@gmail.com If you have questions please send an e-mail to receive a call back. **We welcome your interest.**