

# Fort Atkinson Gardens

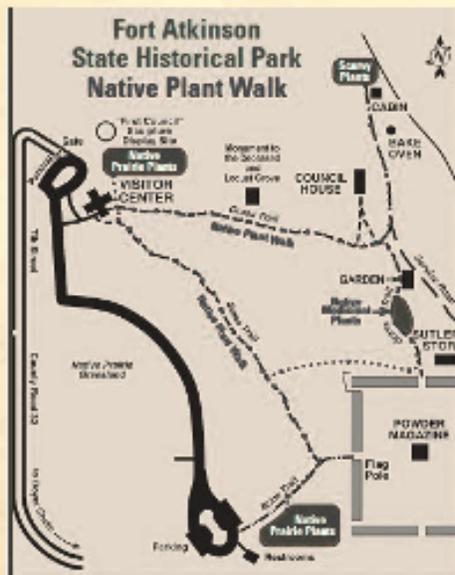
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As the season changes, the Fort Atkinson Gardens project is bursting with new life—and, inevitably, a few determined weeds! Our historical and medicinal gardens are at a crucial turning point, and we need your hands, energy, and passion to keep this special space thriving.

Some on our team are seasoned gardeners, some are history buffs, others are master gardeners and master naturalists, and others just seeking a new skill. All are welcome whenever they can come - we invite you to join us.

We have 3 garden areas:

- the Historical garden (behind the white picket fence)
- the Native Medicinal garden (between Historical garden and Fort)
- the Lewis and Clark Commemorative gardens (near the Visitor's Center)



General tasks for the three gardens include:

Seasonal Tasks:

Spring: Setting up signs, assisting in control of native grasses in garden areas, introducing new plants

Autumn – Collecting, repairing and storing signs, assisting with additional remediation as needed

Weekly Tasks:

Weeding & Tidying: Removing weeds to give our plants room to breathe and grow.

Watering: Ensuring our seedlings and young transplants are hydrated.

Planting: Adding new, historically accurate species to the collection.

We are looking for your help during our designated volunteer hours:

Thursdays: 9AM – Noon

Monday - Friday: 9AM – dusk (as needed)

Living History Weekend – Interpretation 10AM – 5PM - first weekend of month (May – October)

Can't make these times? Email us to arrange a "come-when-you-can" slot!

Important Notes:

Wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Bring a reusable water bottle.

Bring gloves and clippers and your favorite trowel!

This is a fantastic opportunity to work in a peaceful, educational environment, learn about traditional medicinal plants, and meet fellow community members who love local history. No experience is necessary—our team is happy to show you the ropes.

Thank you for being part of the Fort Atkinson Garden Project. Together, we can make our garden look its absolute best this season!

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