In support of the VISTA Gardens’ community, below are the current committees with which to volunteer.

| **Name** | **Description** | **Chair** |
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| **Compost** | Turn & sift to create soil amendment for the garden. | Becca Petrilak  [res05dgx@verizon.net](mailto:res05dgx@verizon.net)  Rolfe Evenson  [rolfe4108@yahoo.com](mailto:rolfe4108@yahoo.com) |
| **Marketing/ Community Relations** | Promote the garden to the community and find fundraising opportunities. | Steve Taylor  [sptaylor200@aol.com](mailto:sptaylor200@aol.com) |
| **Education** | Identify opportunities to bring in people to teach organic gardening techniques, nutrition and other appropriate topics. | Barb Mahlmeister  [barb@naturalchoicenutrition.com](mailto:barb@naturalchoicenutrition.com) |
| **Social** | Create fun activities for the membership outside of gardening. | Laurie Kleiner  [lauriek123@gmail.com](mailto:lauriek123@gmail.com) |
| **Membership** | Maintain roster of members and garden map. Respond to prospective member contacts, greet and tour prospective members, enroll new members, and provide membership orientation. | Keshia Arlinghaus  keshia.arlinghaus@gmail.com |
| **Volunteer** | Recruit & manage recurring and special event volunteers. | Mike Arnold  [marnold1101@gmail.com](mailto:marnold1101@gmail.com) |
| **Communications** | Create, distribute and maintain distribution list for *VISTA Matters* newsletter. Build and maintain content on the [vistagardentampa.org](about:blank) web site. Curate and monitor social media presence on Facebook and Instagram. | Marc Perkins-Carrillo  [tampaliving13606@gmail.com](mailto:tampaliving13606@gmail.com) |
| **Infrastructure** | Maintain equipment, infrastructure and other assets. Perform landscape design and grounds maintenance. | Marty Kleiner  [martink4321@gmail.com](mailto:martink4321@gmail.com) |
| **Children’s Events** | Plan and coordinate activities at the garden in which parents and children participate, by reservation. | Lori Vella  [coachloriv@gmail.com](mailto:coachloriv@gmail.com) |
| **Wildflower Garden** | Create, plant, and tend 400 wildflowers on the berm near the sidewalk. | Roberta Owens [legacyofcaring.ro@gmail.com](mailto:legacyofcaring.ro@gmail.com) |
| **Grants** | Investigate opportunities to apply for funding from foundations that support our vision. | Mary Ellen Dallman [drgrandma47@aol.com](mailto:drgrandma47@aol.com) |
| **Garden Committee**  **Includes:**    **House of the Rising Seedlings**  **Herb Container Garden**    **Flower Garden**  **Pond Committee** | Plan and coordinate the tending of shared areas (entrance plantings, herb container garden, pollinator gardens, native plant landscape, Little Free Library, bird houses and feeders) and assist gardeners in growing vegetables, fruits, and flowers organically.  Organize & maintain the HRS. Seed and raise plants for garden members.  Seed, transplant, and tend herbs. Develop plant information resources.  Plant and tend 500 sf garden, including wildflower, edible and cut flower sections.  Maintain the health and beauty of VISTA’s pond. | Evans Bostick [ebostick@verizon.net](mailto:ebostick@verizon.net)  Deb Ramos  [rd1510@hotmail.com](mailto:rd1510@hotmail.com)  Vicki Kuse  [vickis414@aol.com](mailto:vickis414@aol.com)  Richard and Donna Birnholz  [rbirnholz@zedek.org](mailto:rbirnholz@zedek.org)  Janet Stanko  [janestan@bellsouth.net](mailto:janestan@bellsouth.net) |