

GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNITY GARDENERS

YOUR GARDEN SPACE

- 1. Garden beds are 4 ft x 8 ft x 12 in.
- 2. Organic practices are required. Garden pests and plant diseases can spread quickly in a community garden. Only organic methods of treatment may be used, such as handpicking, row covers, and use of organic pesticides. You may treat only your beds however you may notify the Program Coordinator if you notice pests and disease in other beds.
- 3. A fee of \$50 per bed, per year is required at time of rental. The term of use is April 1 March 31.
- 4. Returning gardeners may renew their beds annually if desired. Renewal fee is due by Feb 1.
- 5. Please keep plants from obstructing pathways or growing into other's beds.
- 6. Plants and trellises should be kept at heights so as not to block the sun from other gardener's beds.
- 7. Beds may be cultivated year round. If you choose not to garden in winter you may cover your bed to prevent weed growth. Contact the Program Coordinator if you need information on winter gardening, cover crops, mulching or soil covers.
- 8. Program Coordinator will inspect all garden beds regularly. If your garden beds become excessively weedy or untended you will be asked to tend to them within 2 weeks of being given notice. If a gardener does not respond to notice their beds may be forfeited.
- 9. Please help maintain a pleasant space by ensuring your beds, the surrounding pathways and the communal areas are kept clean, neat and free of debris and weeds.

- 1. Gardens are open dawn to desk, 7 days a week.
- 2. Organic matter such as leaves, dead plant material and green plant material may be composted in the communal compost bins as long as it is disease free. Diseased plant materials and weeds should be placed in trash.
- 3. GCPRT provides water and hoses for watering your garden. After use please coil hoses and return to their starting position ready for the next gardener. Unattended watering is not allowed.
- 4. GCPRT will provide compost and mulch annually for replenishing beds and pathways.
- 5. Please respect your fellow gardeners and do not remove or disturb anything in their beds including weeds without their permission. What looks like a weed to you may be valuable to someone else!
- 6. Please do not share lock combinations with anyone. Remember, the fencing exists to protect your garden from theft and vandalism.
- The Program Coordinator will organize work days for weeding and mulching communal spaces, turning compost or planting and maintaining the pollinator and perennial food border. Gardeners are encouraged to volunteer at these periodic workdays.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 1. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products are not allowed in the gardens.
- 2. Agreements are for exclusive use of the assigned beds.
- 3. Please park only in designated parking areas.
- 4. Damages to facilities and/or property, not payment, not abiding by the guidelines set forth above are cause for cancellation/withdrawal of this agreement by GCPRT.
- 5. Personal pets are not allowed within fenced garden area with the exception of service animals.
- All persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the programs, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, and accommodations of GCPRT without discrimination or segregation on the ground of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- 7. Gardener releases GCPRT from any liability and holds GCPRT harmless from any claims resulting from the use of premises.

I understand that Greenville County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism staff has complete authority to close down any facility. I have read and do understand the terms and conditions of this garden agreement, and do hereby agree to abide by all applicable rules and regulations.