



## Welcome to the Community Garden Program

Congratulations and welcome to the REAL Community Garden. As a community garden member you are responsible for tasks around the garden site as well as in your own community garden. We ask that every gardener participate to the best of their ability in the upkeep and management of the garden. In general this means that gardeners will take pride in their plot and will keep it clean and tidy, and watered regularly.

It is essential that produce not go to waste - if you do have extra produce please consider giving it to the food bank or bring it to the REAL Deal store and they will ensure that it gets passed on to those in need.

# Community Garden Agreement

As a community gardener I am responsible for planting and maintaining the plot that has been assigned to me by the gardening committee.

## **I will:**

- Treat my fellow gardeners and community members with respect: including keeping my plot weed free, not touching other gardeners plots and produce, not shading other people's plots, and keeping the community garden free of litter and attractive.
- Prepare my garden and have it planted by June 15th. If your garden is not planted by June 15th the garden contract is considered void and the plot will return to the Garden Committee without refund.
- Take responsibility for my garden waste by placing it in the composting area at the community gardens. Remove any other waster (e.g. empty pots, coffee cups) when I go.
- Participate in keeping the water barrels filled.

- Not use chemical fertilizers insecticides or weed repellents
- Use mulches when possible to reduce watering and use the watering system provided respecting the need not to waste water by leaving it running.
- Not bring pets into the community garden area.
- Clean out my plot by October 31st so that next year's group will have a clean plot

**Departures from this Agreement** will be handled in the following manner:

1. A member of the gardening committee will phone you to discuss the violation and try to work out a solution and a timeline.
2. If the violation continues the gardening committee will send a final notice of garden plot forfeiture with a date of when that will take effect. No refund will occur.

**Please keep the above, but sign and return the final page.**

**Signed Community Garden Agreement:**

I understand and agree to the Community Garden Guidelines as stated above for the gardening season of May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

I am aware not adhering to this agreement may result in my losing my garden plot without refund.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_