

# Indian Village Neighborhood Garden

**Mark your Calendar!** The following is a list of important dates for the **2023** season:

**March 16 - June 1:** New Gardener application window

**April:** All gardeners must attend one of the Garden Orientations in late April/early June.

**June 15<sup>th</sup>:** Must have planted garden plot or it will be reassigned. (no refunds after this date)

**August 1<sup>st</sup>:** Garden Check: Plots not being taken care of &/or where food is not being picked will be reassigned.

**November 1<sup>st</sup>:** Plot must be clear or lose deposit.

## Things to Know

### **Garden Plot Fees:**

Fees are necessary to cover the cost of water, resources and management. It also increases gardener responsibility and investment in the garden and the program. **There is a minimum \$15 per 100 sq. ft. plot fee for all gardeners.** No refunds on plot fee or deposit after June 1<sup>st</sup>. There may be a small administrative fee deducted from any refunds requested before June 1<sup>st</sup> to cover the cost of setting up your garden space.

### **Clean-up Deposits**

A \$20.00 clean-up fee is due with this completed application, and it will be refunded to you in full at the end of the growing year, provided that you sufficiently clean up your plot by November 1<sup>st</sup>. If you wish to garden again next season you may apply for the same plot beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have cleaned up your plot and return an application, your clean-up deposit will be rolled over.

### **Garden Maintenance:**

Maintaining your garden with regular weeding will conserve water, reduce insects, and keep the neighbors happy. We encourage you to work with other gardeners to keep the garden growing strong. Garden plots need to be cleaned up by November 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any problems with your plot, or you can't take care of it, please let us know so we can help.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female Refugee or immigrant? Y / N Country of origin: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Please list all the people that live in your family/household.**

Name of adults in house/family (attach a separate sheet if needed)	Age	Gender Male/ Female	Will be gardening
Name of children in house/family (attach a separate sheet if needed)	Age	Gender Male/ Female	Will be gardening

5. **Do you speak English well?** \_\_\_\_\_ If not, which language do you speak? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not speak English well, please provide an English-speaking contact (REQUIRED):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

6. **How will you use your garden plot? Mark all that apply:**

To grow food for myself/my family	To eat more fresh vegetables	Other:
To sell at a farmers' market	For canning/preserving food	

7. **Payment Information**

	<b>Item:</b>	<b>Cost:</b>	<b>Amt. Due:</b>
X	<b>Garden Clean-up Deposit</b> (Required for all and refundable)	\$20.00	\$20.00
X	<b>Small Garden Plot</b>	\$15.00	\$15.00
	<b>Donation to the Financial Assistance Fund:</b> This helps support gardeners who cannot afford the plot fee (not required)		
	<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED WITH APPLICATION:</b>		

*I understand the rules and regulations, as presented in the 14th and Arapahoe Community Garden Rules. I understand that neither Southview Baptist Church nor the owners of the land are responsible for the safety or success of participants, their family, or their garden visitors. I, therefore, agree to hold harmless Southview Baptist Church and owners of the land for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or by any of my guests.*

*I agree to exercise common courtesy and good judgment while gardening. I understand that if I exhibit behavior considered to be dangerous or offensive to myself or others, I may be removed from the community gardening program.*

Signature of the Gardener \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# **14th and Arapahoe Community Garden Rules**

## **General**

- 1. Application:** A current application must be on file and fees paid to receive a plot to garden.
- 2. Garden Training:** All gardeners are required to attend Garden Orientation before being able to start gardening each year.
- 3. Organic Only:** Gardeners must use organic growing methods, fertilizers, and sprays. Contact us if you need help.
- 4. Returning gardeners** may return to same plot each year after
  - a) turning in a returning gardener application by November 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - b) plot is cleaned up by November 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - c) clean-up deposit will be applied to following year.
- 5. Pets:** No pets (for the safety and enjoyment of everyone)
- 6. Trash:** There are no trash cans at the garden. If you bring it to the garden then you must take it home with you. Please pick up any other trash that you see in the garden. No trash of any kind should be left at the site.
- 7. Maintenance:** All gardeners must share in the maintenance of the garden including: sitting areas, compost bins, weeding, mulching paths, turning water off and putting hoses away, keeping tool sheds and tools clean.
- 8. Tools:** All tools must be returned to tool box/shed after every use. You cannot keep them or take them off-site.
- 9. Personal Responsibility:** Gardeners are responsible for themselves, children, and any personal property brought into the garden.
- 10. Hours:** The garden area is open dawn until dusk, seven days a week.
- 11. Plot Stakes:** Plot corners are clearly marked with stakes. Please do not remove these stakes during the season. Metal stakes throughout the site are permanent boundary markers and should not be moved.
- 12. Weeds:** Please dispose of weeds in designated areas.
- 13. Harvesting:** Crops must be harvested once they are mature. If you do not feel you can use all of them please contact your ***Site Coordinator*** to arrange for donation.
- 14. Absent from garden:** If someone else will tend your plot or pick your vegetables while you are sick or out of town, give the person a signed note and notify your ***Site Coordinator***. If you no longer wish to continue gardening at any point in the year, please notify us.
- 15. Permissions:** If you want someone to work your plot or pick your vegetables when you are sick or away, give that person a signed note and notify your ***Site Coordinator***.
- 16. Behavior:** Alcohol, drugs, violence, stealing, or vandalism **are not allowed** in the community gardens. Participating in any of these activities may result in removal from program and loss of garden plot. This includes taking vegetables or plants from other gardens. If you observe any of these activities notify your ***Site Coordinator*** immediately.

## **Garden Plots**

- 17. Restricted Plants:** Plant whatever you like in your plot, but no noxious weeds or invasive plants. Restricted plants include: Jerusalem Artichokes, mint (can plant in a container but not in the ground), Morning glories, Bamboo.
- 18. June 1<sup>st</sup>:** Garden plots must be planted by this date or space will be given to someone else.
- 19. Cleaned Plots:** Plots must be cleaned up by November 1<sup>st</sup> to receive full clean up deposit or to apply

deposit to next year's garden. A cleaned up garden means that all tomato stakes & cages are removed, all dead plants, including weeds, are removed. Plot must look neat and tidy to be considered cleaned-up. Plants still growing and being harvested may remain.

**20. Keep plants inside your plot.** Plants must be kept out of other gardener's plots or paths; any plants growing outside of plot may be trimmed or cut back by *Site Coordinator* without notice.

**21. Tilling:** Gardeners are responsible for the tilling of their own plot. (We recommend no till garden methods, ask us how)

**22. Tall crops:** Plant tall crops, like corn or sunflowers, where they will not shade neighboring plots.

### **Water**

**23. Use:** Shut water off after every use and keep hoses rolled up.

**24. Water problems:** Please report any problems with water being left on or leaking to *Site Coordinator*.

**25. Unattended watering is not permitted.** Water may NEVER be left on after you leave the garden site. Fines or removal from program may result.

**26. Conservation:** Please conserve water: mulch garden with leaves, grass clippings, or straw to reduce water evaporation. Mulching also reduces weeds.

### **Paths**

**27. Mulching:** Everyone must help maintain the MAIN mulched garden paths.

**28. No weeds or dirt** in paths and all food crops must be kept from growing on or over paths.

### **Compost Bins**

**29. Maintenance:** Please follow the instructions posted at each bin. Sites will have separate bins for incoming material, resting compost, and ready-to-use compost.

**30. Using compost:** Everyone is free to use any of the compost that is ready. Please take only your fair share.

**31. Size of material:** All material put into compost bins must be smaller than 6 inches. All plant stems must be cut into 6 inch pieces or smaller. Small pieces help the compost to break down quicker.

Your compliance with the above regulations will help everyone have an enjoyable and productive garden. Failure to comply with the regulations during the season may result in a loss of future gardening privileges.

***\*Keep this page for you records!***