



Grand Community Gardens Expectations and Agreement

I understand and agree to:

1) APPLICATION PROVISIONS:

- **Contact the site coordinator before signing up to make sure there are beds available.**
- In the following order: Contact the site coordinator, Complete an application, and pay bed fees, prior to using my assigned garden bed(s).
- I understand the failure to complete the above steps prior to paying means I will not receive a refund in the event there are no available beds in the garden.

2) GARDEN BED ASSIGNMENT PROVISIONS:

Your plot:

- Plant my bed by July 1st or I forfeit the use of it as well as my fees.
- Only annual plants are allowed. Perennials shall be allowed contingent on their removal at the end of the year. Perennials may be allowed with site coordinator approval. Trees will not be allowed.
- Clean up my bed(s) by October 15th. This includes removal of plant material and weeds.
- Keep my garden and the surrounding areas maintained throughout the season and walking paths free of obstruction. Weeds are to be eliminated by pulling or with the use of organic mulches rather than herbicides, unless approved by the Grand Community Gardens Advisory Committee.
- Harvest only those vegetables or flowers which I have planted unless invited to do so by another gardener.
- Know that manure aged less than one year and not approved by the site coordinator is not permitted. Commercially processed compost and other soil amendments are allowed without approval.
- Seek approval from the site coordinator prior to the use of mechanical tillers.
- Understand that if I wish to retain the same bed and plant winter crops, I will be able to do so provided I have been in good standing as described in this agreement.
- I understand that those who have gardened years prior may receive privilege to retain their garden beds.

Your Behavior:

- Refrain from any illegal activity on the Grand Community Garden (GCG) site.
- Work collaboratively with the site coordinator and other gardeners. Discrimination and Harassment will not be tolerated. The following will not be tolerated when interacting with fellow gardeners, community members, CSU Extension Staff, or other parties involved in the gardens:



- Obscene or racist comments
 - Personal attacks, harassment, insults or threatening language
 - Profane language or content
 - Engaging in disruptive/unsafe behavior that disturbs others in the garden
 - Sexual misconduct
 - Other behaviors or actions that a reasonable person would deem inconsiderate.
- Follow the CSU Principles of Community
<https://inclusiveexcellence.colostate.edu/resources/principles-of-community/>
 - Lock the gate when leaving the garden.
 - Do not store personal gardening tools and equipment at the gardening sites.
 - Return tools and equipment provided for common use to the storage areas designated by each site.
 - Fully supervise any children I bring into the garden.
 - Gardeners are fully responsible for any guests they bring, and guests must follow all agreements and expectations.
 - Keep pets outside of the garden fence, unless you have received approval from the respective site coordinator.

Our Expectations:

- Understand if my bed is left untended, I will receive a notice by mail or email that I am not in compliance. If within two weeks, the garden does not meet GCG standards, I will receive final notification that my garden bed and privileges have been forfeited. I understand my bed(s) will then revert to Grand Community Garden (GCG) use and no refunds will be issued.
- **Volunteer 2 hours per month (May 15th - October 15th) or a total of 10 hours throughout the season.**
- Log volunteer hours and information about materials added to my bed if requested by the site coordinator.
- Allow GCG to use photos for promotional purposes. Promotional materials will be used for the sole purpose of increasing awareness of services offered by GCG. We are an educational organization with a mission to enrich the lives of Grand County citizens through education and the opportunity to grow one's own food.
- CSU and/or the Grand Community Gardens Advisory Committee retain the right to deny access to the gardens at any time.

Understand that failure to follow any of the above Expectations will result in a written warning upon the first offense, and upon a second offense there shall be final notification and assigned garden bed(s) and privileges will be removed. Upon formal removal, members will have two



weeks to remove any of their plants or other items from the respective community garden. Failure to remove personal materials during these two weeks will result in forfeiture of any remaining items.

Additionally, understand that failure to comply with the expectations and agreements, and the principles of community may result in:

- Disqualification from participation in future Grand Community Gardens or Events.
- Citation or arrest for criminal trespass if individual enters or remains on property after having been notified that their permission to be on the property has been withdrawn. This will be handled by local law enforcement and is not an action of the Grand Community Garden Advisory Committee.

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