

## ***City of Rocky River Community Garden Guidelines and Rental Agreement / \$25 per plot***

Please sign and return with your application.

1. Hours: TBD (The Garden is not supervised. Hours are likely to be 8a.m. to sunset.)
2. The use of herbicides is strictly prohibited. This includes Preen, Roundup and similar products. Pesticides are restricted to insecticidal soaps and botanical oils.
3. Tenants are responsible for bringing their own plants, seeds, and mulch.
4. Garden paths must be kept clear of all obstacles (i.e. bikes, carts, wagons, wheelbarrows, tools, hoses).
5. An adult must accompany children under 18.
6. Pets are not permitted in the garden enclosure. Sunflowers or morning glories of any type, as well as corn, are not to be grown, as they shade gardeners' plots and reseed. Trellises or pole systems must be placed @ north end of plot.
7. The RRCG is not responsible for tools or personal property left unattended on the premises.
8. Each gardener is responsible for the proper maintenance of his or her garden and adjacent walk areas. Weed control is necessary in consideration of other garden plots for the duration of the season. Failure to adequately maintain your garden plot will result in forfeiture.
9. Anyone unable to work his or her garden for a period of two (2) weeks is asked to contact a garden committee member in order that some alternative provisions can be made. Fruit and vegetables found to be overripe on the vine may be harvested at the discretion of the committee and donated to Rocky River Assistance.

10. If any garden appears untended for a period of 14 days or more, and the committee has not received notice from the gardener of acceptable reason, the garden will be considered abandoned, and the Association will contact the gardener to determine the outcome of the plot.
11. No gardener is permitted in the garden of another gardener without the presence of the other gardener or without his or her written permission, provided to the RRCG.
12. No illegal plants or plants on the OH Invasive plants list may be grown. See list posted on bulletin board.
13. Smoking, alcohol, profanity, and loud music are prohibited.
14. At the end of the season, (Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>), gardeners are required to remove all non-plant material from their plots, including weed block fabric, pots, wire cages, stakes, etc.
15. Gardeners are to use the Civic Center restrooms only.  
  
Gardeners may deposit garden waste and weed-free clippings in the compost pile. Diseased or pest-ridden plants must be bagged and removed from the garden for disposal.
16. In keeping with the intention and meaning of a community garden, and in an effort to defray costs and maximize available grants, each gardener is asked to donate a minimum of five volunteer hours, if possible, toward the operation, maintenance, and promotion of the Garden, and to support fundraising efforts that benefit the garden.
17. Breaking of rules will result in: 1<sup>st</sup> offense, verbal warning; 2<sup>nd</sup> offense, written warning; and 3<sup>rd</sup> offense, forfeiture of plot.

## Community Garden Agreement

### Assumption of Risk, Waiver, and Release

I am fully aware of the fact that there are special dangers and risks inherent in this activity, including, but not limited to, the risk of serious physical injury, death, or other harmful consequences that may arise directly or indirectly to me from my participation in this activity. Being fully informed as to these risks and in consideration of my being allowed to participate in City sponsored activities; I hereby assume all risks of injury, damage, liability and harm to myself and any minor child I may bring into the garden arising from such activities. I also hereby individually and on behalf of my heirs, executors, and assigns, release and hold harmless the City of Rocky River, the Officers and members of the RRCGC, City officials, employees, and agents, and/or property owners and waive any right of recovery that I might have to bring a claim or lawsuit against them for any personal injury, death, or other consequences occurring to me arising out of my occupancy and/or use of the Community Garden.

I have read and received a copy of the Community Garden Rules, Regulations, and Guidelines and agree to comply with the rules stated within.

Please make check payable to 'Rocky River Recreation Foundation', with 'Community Garden' in the memo section of the check.

Mail to: Steve Kunath

19550 Argyle Oval, Rocky River, OH 44116

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**For Office Use only -DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

PLOT # \_\_\_\_\_ COST \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_