

# **Buffalo Presbyterian Church Community Garden**

## **Care, Maintenance, and Tenancy Agreement**

Name of Gardener (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Plot No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Due to the costs of watering, the Church requires a payment of \$25 per plot to help defray those expenses. If this presents a hardship please contact Mike Quady at (612) 227-5188 or [quady12@email.com](mailto:quady12@email.com) for a waiver.**

**Due to limited maintenance help and demand for plots we have a two-plot limit per gardener.**

By filling out this form and signing below, I agree to abide by all rules and requirements for use of the Community Garden at Buffalo Presbyterian Church, and agree to be bound by its decisions as to the use, care, access, and control of the Garden area, or any other requirements, including, but not limited to the following:

- I will have the plot(s) listed above fully planted in the garden and keep it planted and maintained throughout the season until harvest.
- If I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify the garden leadership immediately.
- I will keep weeds at a minimum at all times, and maintain the areas immediately surrounding my plot if any.
- If my plot becomes unkempt, I understand I will be given one week's notice to clean it up. At that time, it will be re-assigned or tilled in.
- I will keep trash and litter out of the plot, as well as from adjacent pathways and fences.
- I will remove any non-compostable trash (wrappers, paper or plastic waste, or other materials) from the site and dispose of it at my home.
- I will dispose of all garden waste (such as weeds, thinnings, or trimmings) in the designated compost area or remove it from the Church property.
- I will report concerns with garden operations, other garden plots, or other gardeners to the Garden Contact person, or if unavailable, to the Church office.
- I will treat all borrowed tools with care, and will return them to the designated storage location.
- I will plant tall crops only where they will not shade neighboring plots.
- I will harvest only my own crops unless given permission by another plot user.
- I will not use chemical insecticides or weed preventers/killers.
- I will apply fertilizers only by hand, and in a way that will not affect neighboring garden plots.

- I will not bring pets to the garden.
- I will use only those Garden facilities on the property provided specifically for Gardeners' use.
- I will drive and/or park only in the paved parking lot (not in any unpaved areas) and access the Garden from Church property, respecting neighboring boundaries and homes.
- I will respect the worship times of the Church (9:30-11:00am on Sundays), and will avoid excessive noise or other intrusive activities, especially during worship services.

I understand that I am using the Garden at the invitation of Buffalo Presbyterian Church, which makes no guarantee or representation as to the adequacy of gardening conditions or security, nor to the actions of other gardeners, nor to any other event or condition. I further understand that my use does not permit me to make any claim on the tenancy or other occupancy of any portion of the garden or other Church property.

I THEREFORE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM AN INVITEE ON THE PROPERTY, AND HEREBY AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE MEMBERS OF THE BUFFALO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GARDEN GROUP AND BUFFALO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC., AS WELL AS ITS MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AND GOVERNING BODIES, FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM WHATSOEVER THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS. THIS WAIVER INCLUDES ANY AND ALL DAMAGE TO MY CROPS, GARDEN SPACE, TOOLS, PERSONAL PROPERTY, OR PERSON.

I further agree that any violation of any of these requirements or other rules may result in forfeiture of the use of my garden plot. In such case, I will be given one week notice to remove all private improvements from the Church property, after which any remaining materials or improvements will be removed and disposed of by the Garden Group or property owner without compensation to the Gardener.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Gardener

Garden Group Contacts:

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