



## 2009 COMMUNITY GARDEN AGREEMENT

### **The City of Fort Collins will provide the following:**

1. A garden plot of approx. 150 square feet, amended with organic materials, rototilled and ready to plant by March 31<sup>st</sup>.
2. Portable water will be available on-site early season depending on the weather. Water, hoses and watering devices will be available in April to manually irrigate your plot. Starting June 1, The Gardens will run the automatic irrigation system using non-potable water 2-3 times per week.
3. Gardening information or referrals as requested.
4. Use of compost bins to dispose of community garden produced organic materials.
5. Use of bathrooms and water fountain during business hours.
6. Access to the community gardens from dusk to dawn seven days a week.
7. Use of garden shed for storage of tools.

### **Gardeners will agree to:**

1. Plan, plant, weed and harvest your plot during the gardening season of March 1 to October 31 and to maintain the area around the bed extending into the pathway. The plots are to be used for growing vegetables, flowers or herbs for personal (non-commercial) use only.
2. Contribute two hours during one of the scheduled work days towards maintenance of the community garden area. These days will be determined by the community gardeners at the beginning of the season and coordinated with Gardens staff. Projects will include pathway mulching, weeding and general clean-up.
3. Attend the community garden orientation on Saturday, February 21 from 9 to 10:30 a.m.
4. Provide your own seeds and "starts".
5. Provide for your own gardening tool needs.
6. Pay an annual gardening fee of \$100 to help offset some of the cost of preparing the garden site, providing water and administering the program. This amount includes a \$50 garden clean-up deposit, which will be refunded to you by December if you fulfill the required community service time of two hours, adequately maintain your plot and area immediately surrounding it and have it cleaned up by October 31<sup>st</sup>. This fee is non-refundable after April 15<sup>th</sup>.
7. Start planting by May 29<sup>th</sup>, or gardeners forfeit their garden deposit.
8. Neither the deposit nor the gardening fee will be refundable to gardeners who abandon their plots after May 29<sup>th</sup>.
9. Read and follow the garden polices and pest control sheets on rules and responsibilities.

I understand and agree that neither the City of Fort Collins, Colorado nor any of its officers, agents, volunteers or employees shall be held responsible or made the subject of any claim for damages or liability arising from personal injury, property damage or loss of any sort to me, my guests or any other person or loss of any other sort arising out of or related to participation in programs at The Gardens on Spring Creek, whether the result of the negligence of the City of Fort Collins or any other person. I HEREBY AGREE TO RELEASE, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM ANY SUCH CLAIM, LIABILITY OR LOSS.

**Please check the following:**

- Garden staff take photos of activities in the garden for marketing purposes. Please check box **if you agree to let your photo be a part of publicity materials.**  
(If you do **not** want to be in published photos, please let photographers know).
- I would like to share my contact information with fellow community gardeners.
- I understand that community garden related news will be sent to the e-mail written on this form and it is my responsibility to stay current with garden news.

This is my 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> year as a community gardener. (Circle one)

I have read, understood and will comply with this agreement and the attached sheets concerning the use of a community garden plot. **Attached is payment in the amount of \$50.**

*(Please make checks payable to "The Gardens on Spring Creek.")*

Primary Gardener's Signature	Print Name	Date
Address		<b>ZIPCODE</b>
Email	Daytime Phone	
Secondary Gardener's Signature	Print Name	Date
Secondary Gardener's Email	Daytime Phone	

**If you change addresses (home or email) it is your responsibility to inform The Gardens.**

1. What are your highest motivating factors for participating in the community garden program at The Gardens?  
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2. How did you hear about the community gardening program? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Past gardening experience:  
 Vegetable gardening \_\_\_\_ # of years \_\_\_\_\_ Fort Collins \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Landscape gardening \_\_\_\_ # of years \_\_\_\_\_ Fort Collins \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
4. Number of people in household who will benefit from this garden? \_\_\_\_\_

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**For Office Use:**      Total fee received: \_\_\_\_\_      Date received: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                  Cash \_\_\_\_ or check (# \_\_\_\_\_)      Received by: \_\_\_\_\_