

# SEEDS Community Gardener

## New Member Information Sheet

Welcome to SEEDS Community Garden! We are so happy for you to join us in our mission to help neighborhoods and communities create sustainable green spaces for gardening, gathering, and education.

### As a SEEDS Community Gardener you will receive:

- 1) A key to the Southside Garden gate.
- 2) Your own raised bed.
- 3) Seeds, when available.
- 4) Use of our tools and other resources. (Staff is on hand to answer questions when time allows.)
- 5) An orientation of the Southside Garden and SEEDS office.

**Cost:** The cost for each bed is \$1 - \$35 (sliding scale based on ability to pay) for each year, regardless of when you join. There are no refunds.

**Watering:** Drought and water restrictions change how much water is available to us. Currently, we have two rain barrels near the Outdoor Classroom and many buckets that are scattered throughout the garden. Please only hand water from the barrels and buckets, and use carefully! If they are all empty, you may water from a hose, but be sure to turn it off after use.



### ALWAYS:

- **Come and go as you wish.** Tools and restrooms available during business hours: Monday – Thursday 9am – 6pm Friday 9am– 8pm Saturday 6am-2pm Please park along the street during these hours Outside of business hours you may park in SEEDS parking lot.
- **Lock the gate when you work alone or are last to leave.**
- **Feel free to beautify.** Add art, sculpture, or anything else to your garden plot if you'd like.
- **Use compost bins.** No Bermuda/Wire Grass or weeds that have gone to seed. Those should go in the brown curbside yard waste bins.
- **Weed inside AND around your plot.** It is your job to keep your area weed free.
- **Let us know** if you can no longer garden with us, and return your key.



### NEVER:

- **Apply chemicals** to kill weeds, insects, or as fertilizer. At SEEDS, we practice organic gardening. We are happy to share ideas.
- **Neglect your plot.** If you do for more than a month, you will be asked to give up your plot.
- **Harvest from any other plot or part of the garden without permission.** If you do you will be asked to give up your plot.



### REMINDERS:

1. **Only use water from rain barrels, unless they are all empty.**
2. **Return ALL tools and gloves to where they came from.**
3. **Introduce yourself to the staff.** We are a small staff—and we'd love to meet you.
4. **Have fun!** Gardening is an adventure filled with surprises and rewards!



I have read and understood these guidelines:

✍ Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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