

MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE ARVADA GARDENERS 2022

CONTACT INFORMATION

Date: _____

Plot #: _____ New Member: _____ Returning Member: _____

Name: _____ Individual _____ or Family _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email address: _____

Contributions and abilities that you can bring to Arvada Community Garden:

As a garden member, what is it that you would like to achieve:

Additional Names on Plot:

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

E-mail: _____ E-mail: _____

Cell: _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Contact:

Name: _____

Cell: _____

I have read and understand the **MEMBERSHIP OBLIGATIONS &**
the **AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

Signature Date

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Arvada Gardeners representative Date

MEMBERSHIP OBLIGATIONS 2022

The Arvada Gardeners is a working organization in which members are expected to make a commitment of your time, abilities and participation in garden activities. You will need to adhere to the rules in the maintenance of garden grounds, your plot, and the supervision of the garden as a Gardener in Charge (GIC) during the season.

There is a minimum of 15 communal hours PER PLOT, that you need to complete during the calendar year, no carryover. (7.5 for half plots, 5 for raised bed and 0 for wheelchair plot.) These hours can be completed by the plot holder or any competent person under the direction of the plot holder by participating in monthly Saturday morning workdays, GIC hours, serving as an officer or committee chair, working events and festivals or any other time you spend working on the maintenance of the garden grounds. You are responsible for keeping track of your hours. Workday and festivals and other activities will have sign-in sheets to note your hours. Other hours can be recorded on the task sheet clipboard located in the Unblue Shed or by sending an email to arvadagardenhours@gmail.com Summary of hours will be published monthly and it will be your responsibility to check the summary and reconcile any difference with the volunteer coordinator. Relief from the 15 hour requirement may be sought for medical or other reasons by taking the request to a garden officer.

Gardeners who do NOT complete their work hour requirement and desire to return the following year will be assessed an additional payment of \$50. If this happens a second time you will not be offered renewal.

Gardeners who do NOT clean up their plot at the end of the season (November 16th) and desire to return the following year will be assessed an additional payment of \$20.

As a gardener you will need to begin gardening in your plot by June 1st or the garden plot will be forfeited back the garden. Accommodations will be made for gardeners who got their plot later in the season.

The business of the Arvada Gardeners is accomplished at monthly meetings open to the public. While attendance at the monthly meetings is encouraged, it is not required.

Communication among the Arvada Gardeners is accomplished through email and the website. www.arvadagardeners.org If you choose not to provide an email address and do not have website access, it will be your responsibility to contact someone in the membership to obtain any information that is sent out. Note that the Arvada Library has free computers for your use and many email accounts are also free.

As a gardener, you are allowed privileges and voting rights. You have ONE vote per PLOT. You DO need to be a resident of Arvada unless previously grandfathered.

As a new gardener, you will need to attend a scheduled orientation, and scheduled classes for the use of power equipment and water pumps. Returning gardeners are responsible for keeping current on changes which may occur to the operation of the garden.

As a garden member, the dues are as follows:

- \$50.00 for a 12' X 22' plot, approximately.
- \$25.00 for a raised beds, 4' X 8' plots
- \$15.00 for a wheelchair plot

Dues allow you year-round access to the garden daily from dawn to dusk and water privileges with training.

As a garden member you will need to sign a release waiver for yourself and ANY other individuals that may assist you in the garden, (family, friends, neighbors,) however, YOU need to be present in the garden at all times along with any of these individuals unless they have also gone through the orientation.

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY 2022

I am applying for a gardening plot for personal use by myself and immediate household. I agree to study and follow the rules and other directions of the Arvada Gardeners pertaining to the use of the plot and associated gardening area contained in the Orientation Booklet.

I understand that I may not give or transfer use of my plot to any other person without permission of the Arvada Gardeners, and that doing so will result in loss of the plot for all involved.

I recognize and am aware there are inherent hazards associated with gardening and the use of related facilities and tools such as but not limited to:

- tripping, slipping or falling on garden property
- health hazards associated with the use of pesticides
- injury from the breakage of garden tools
- insect bites, stings, and injury thru encounters with rodents, reptiles or other animals
- heat stroke or exhaustion
- allergic reactions to plants, etc.
- abrasion and cuts from various sources
- violent weather and other acts of God

I and my family members release all claims which may arise against, and agree not to sue the Arvada Gardeners and/or the city of Arvada and their members, officers, agents, employees and authorized volunteers on our behalf as a result of participating in the Arvada Gardeners gardening program.

I and my family members further agree to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Arvada Gardeners and/or the City of Arvada and their members, officers, agents, employees and authorized volunteers from any and all claims by other parties resulting from injuries, damages and losses caused by me and/or my family members arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with the activities of the Arvada Gardeners gardening program.

In the event of any emergency, I authorize Arvada Gardeners members and/or Arvada city officials to secure from any licensed hospital, physician, and/or medical personnel any treatment deemed necessary for me or my family's immediate care and agree that I will be responsible for payment of any and all medical services rendered.