

GARDEN OF EATIN' GUIDELINES

Welcome to the Garden of Eatin'! This is a community space hosted by The Other Way Ministries. We want gardeners to enjoy this space for years to come, so please enjoy the garden while respecting the property and other gardeners. Please note that the guidelines and regulations contained in this document may be added to or edited as needed.

Plot pricing

- Plot prices for summer 2026 are: \$5 for a single, \$10 for a double

Guidelines for The Garden of Eatin'

1. The plot that you rent is your responsibility for the summer. If you let a friend or relative plant on a section of your plot, you are ultimately responsible for its upkeep.
2. Do not use non-organic fertilizers or weed killers on your plot. You are welcome to use organic fertilizers.
3. You must not remove items from another gardener's plot. This includes signage, plants, food, tools, or flowers.
4. You must not enter another gardener's plot unless you are invited.
5. Please avoid entering or working in the garden after dusk or before dawn.
6. You must supervise any children that come with you to the garden.
7. Please keep your plot as free of weeds as possible.
8. You may put the following materials in the shared compost bin: weeds, leaves, grass clippings, paper, plants. You may NOT put anything else in the shared compost, including trash, plastic, partially eaten food, clothing, human or animal feces, meat, or large sticks.
9. Any trash or debris produced by you, such as plant trays, plant tags, broken tomato cages, etc., must be removed on a regular basis.
10. Please be respectful of the property's neighbors.
11. If you abandon your plot or do not care for it, we will attempt to contact you. If we are unable to contact you, your plot may be surrendered for the rest of the season.

Gardening Tools

The Other Way may make available some garden tools for you to use, such as shovels, hoes, rakes, hand tools, and hoses. These are provided to you at no extra cost.

1. If you use tools belonging to The Other Way (such as shovels, hoes, rakes, or hand tools), you must put them away in the shed and lock the shed after use. If a tool is lost or destroyed while in your possession, you may be asked to replace or cover all or part of the cost of the tool.
2. If you use the hoses, you must wind them up neatly after use.
3. Be sure to turn off the water after use.
4. You may bring your own tools to use.

Staff Contact

With any issues or questions about the garden, please contact:

Bethany Joseph (email is better)

bjoseph@theotherway.org, 616-516-3180 (cell), 616-454-4011 ext 5119 (office)

Community Garden Closing

Each gardener is responsible for preparing their plot for the winter. Please use the following guides to prepare your plot:

- All plants should be removed from your plot and placed in the compost bins. Please do not put string, wood, or non-organic materials in the compost bins.
- All trash (plastic, string, etc) should be removed from your plot. Please bring a plastic bag to put trash in and remove it from the garden, as we don't have a trash can located at the garden.
- Tomato cages and wooden stakes should be placed near the entrance to the garage/barn. Please let the garden coordinator know when you leave items there, so they can get put away.
- If you are overwintering crops, PLEASE let the garden coordinator know so that we don't accidentally till your crops in the spring. We can't automatically guarantee you the same plot next year (although we will try to accommodate your requests).

NORMAS DEL JARDIN COMUNITARIO “GARDEN OF EATIN”

¡Bienvenidos al Garden of Eatin’! Este es un espacio comunitario proveído por The Other Way Ministries. Queremos que nuestros vecinos disfruten de este espacio por muchos años en el futuro, así que por favor respete el lugar y otros jardineros mientras disfrute del jardín. Ten en mente que las normas podrían cambiar o añadir más si sea necesario.

Precios

Aquí están los precios para Verano 2026: un terreno \$5, dos terrenos \$10

Normas para el Jardín Comunitario

1. El terreno que usted renta es su responsabilidad durante el verano. Si usted permite que un amigo o familiar utilice el terreno, al final es usted que es el/la responsable.
2. No utilice fertilizantes o herbicidas inorgánicas. Puede usar fertilizantes naturales.
3. No hay que quitar nada del terreno de otro jardinero. Incluye letreros, plantas, comida, herramientas, o flores.
4. No puede entrar al terreno de otro sin su permiso.
5. Por favor, no entre o trabaje en el jardín antes del amanecer o después del anochecer.
6. Hay que supervisar a cualquier niño que le acompañe al jardín.
7. Por favor, mantén el terreno tan libre de malas hierbas como sea posible.
8. Usted puede colocar las siguientes cosas en el compostaje compartido: malas hierbas, hojas, recortes de hierba, papel, plantas. NO puede poner nada más en el compostaje, incluyendo basura, plástico, restos de comida, ropa, heces de animal o humano, carne, o palos grandes.
9. La basura que usted produzca, como por ejemplo bandejas de plantas, letreros plásticos de plantas, jaulas de tomate rotas, etc, se tiene que quitar de manera regular.
10. Por favor respeta a los vecinos de la propiedad.
11. Si usted abandona su terreno o no lo cuida, intentaremos comunicarnos con usted. Si no podemos comunicarnos, el terreno se renuncia y regresa a nuestro cuidado por el resto de la temporada.

Herramientas del Jardín

The Other Way hará disponible algunas herramientas para trabajar el jardín, como por ejemplo palas, azadones, rastrillos, herramientas manuales, y mangueras. Se proveen gratis, sin costo.

1. Si usted utiliza herramientas que pertenecen a The Other Way, debe regresarlos a la caseta, y cerrar con llave la caseta después de utilizarlas. Si una herramienta en su posesión se pierde o se destroza, puede que le pedimos que cubre el costo total o parcial de la herramienta.
2. Si utiliza las mangueras, debe de enrollarlas y regresarlas a su lugar después de utilizarlas. Cierra la llave del agua cuando termina.
3. Usted puede llevar sus propias herramientas si prefiere.

Contactarnos

Con cualquier pregunta o problema, póngase en contacto con nosotros.

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Garden of Eatin' 2022 Pre-Season Meeting

Attendance

Karis		Amy S		
Leah C		Landon H		
Moss family		Sheila B		
John V		Josh L		
John daughter		Cecibel		
Nerida				
Karl				

Garden of Eatin' Pre-Season Meeting 2021

Agenda

- Introductions
- Explanation of handouts
- Walking tour of the garden
- Review Garden Guidelines + How To Unlock Shed handouts
- Re-evaluate plot sizes + tentatively assign plots
- Discuss payment timeline
- Gather contact info (best contact method? FB messenger group?)
- Next steps before garden opens? (who is available to help?)

Garden of Eatin' 2022 Pre-Season Meeting

Moss family		John V		
Karl W		John V daughter		
Nerida A		Leah C		
Amy S		Alex (kids)		
Emily M		Caleb T		
Kristin G		Ashley T		
Emily S		Jen T		
Petrona T		Brad Smit		
Sheena W				

Agenda

- I. Introductions, nametags
- II. Look at the garden, show plot sizes
- III. Go through guidelines; cast vision for season
- IV. Assign out plots
- V. Discuss pre-season to-do's: spread out compost, fix shed door, mark out plots, etc
- VI. Collect payment if ready