

2024 Gardening Policy



Interim Gardening Policy & Procedure—tenant gardener expectations

Overview

- Gardening season goes from May 1 to November 14.
- Tenants that have started gardening this season: complete the Community Gardening Agreement only.
- Tenants that have not yet started the process: complete the Gardening Application Form and Community Gardening Agreement.
- Each household is allowed **one** plot.
- We have a waitlist for each garden. Plot assignments are first come, first served.
- Gardening eligibility: must be a TCHC tenant/occupant, over the age of 16 (or younger if accompanied by an adult).
- Priority given to tenants who live in the community where the garden is located.

Roles and responsibilities

- Complete and submit the application forms by the established deadlines.
- Follow the rules that are set forth in the procedures and gardening agreements.
- Maintain and tend to gardens, including any fall clean-up activities.
- Report any concerns to your local Community Services Coordinator.
- Follow the TCHC tenant charter and treat other gardeners and staff with respect.



Restrictions

- Do not use any pesticides.
- Do not plant any prohibited items (including invasive species, poisonous plants, illegal plants, plants used to produce controlled drugs/substances).
- Do not sell any produce or flowers you grow.
- Keep the paths clear, including putting away hoses and pots.
- Do not smoke in or near the gardens.
- If your building has an outdoor space where tenants can plant shrubs and flowers (also known as a “beautification garden”), there are other limitations on what you can grow. These outdoor spaces are not allowed to have produce or crops.

