

## WestWind Church Community Garden of Keller, Texas

### Rules and Terms of Agreement

*The use and access to a plot is a privilege. Failure to comply with the "Adopt-a-Plot Rules and Terms of Agreement" may result in termination of your plot agreement and removal from the garden, and/or loss of the privilege to renew. There will be no refund of fees paid for early termination for violations.*

- 1) Yearly garden plot fees are due February 1: 4'x 4' \$20, 4'x 8' \$30, 4'x 16' \$45 per year (Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> to Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>).
- 2) Gardeners may adopt a second plot, if available, at a \$10 discount off the price of the second bed.
- 3) Gardeners are required to keep individual plots in a planted, productive state and free of debris and weeds/grass. In the off season they should be cover-cropped, mulched, or acceptably covered. **Fall/Winter gardens are encouraged.** Keep dead vegetation cleared year around. Maintain walkway around your bed(s) by clearing grass, as possible, and covering with wood chips. Keep aisles passable. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of your garden plot with no refund.
- 4) A primary goal of the garden is to assist feeding underserved people in our community. Gardeners agree to donate 50% of their crops for that purpose through our *Harvest-to-Donate* program.
- 5) Gardeners will pick their own crops and agree to our *Harvest-to-Donate* policy. When gardeners assist with harvesting-to-donate they may document times to go toward the required yearly service hours of at least 12 hours per year.
- 6) Volunteers *Harvest-to-Donate* every Monday morning. This is contingent on weather, holidays, and availability of volunteers and food to harvest. Ripe and ready produce remaining in all plots, after gardeners harvest their own plots on the weekend, is gathered/bagged/weighed/delivered to local underserved people. *Communicate to coordinators any special requests regarding harvesting.*
- 7) **Participate** in at least four (4) work (Garden Care) days per year. Care days will be the first Saturday of each month from approximately 9AM-noon, allowing for holidays and inclement weather. (Contribute and document equivalent service (~12 hours) at other times, if not available on Saturday Garden Care days.) Additionally, gardeners agree to complete and document an average of at least one (1) hour per month (12 hours per year) of community work in the garden, not limited to their own plot. A list of volunteer activities is posted on the message board.
- 8) The garden promotes using Organic methods of gardening. A partial list of organic amendments, fertilizers, and pest control treatments include: Compost and compost tea, Seaweed meal, Fish meal and Liquid emulsions, Worm castings, Epsom salt, Alfalfa meal, Cottonseed meal, Bone meal, Blood meal, Molasses, Phosphate rock, Neem oil, Thuricide BT, Beneficial nematodes, Orange oil.
- 9) Verify water faucet is turned off completely after manual watering. Put all hoses back after using and be careful in dragging and placing hoses so plants are not damaged.
- 10) The garden is plumbed to allow drip irrigation in each bed. You must provide your own timer, tubing, and emitters. All gardeners will carefully monitor water usage and timers so water loss from malfunction or overwatering is minimized.
- 11) Chop non-diseased plant debris and add to compost bin. Dispose in dumpster thick or hard stems (okra), diseased plants, weeds, and Bermuda grass.
- 12) Shared tools are available for gardeners and volunteers in garden shed. Clean tools of debris before returning to shed.
- 13) Gardeners will supervise children in the garden.
- 14) Gardeners will supervise pets closely, if they must be brought to the garden. Do NOT allow them to disturb plots. Dispose of droppings in trash. Prefer dogs to be left at home or in vehicle.
- 15) If Gardener must abandon their plot for any reason, they will notify the church office ph-817-428-6775 or a garden coordinator. The plot will then be assigned to another participant. Our goal is to keep beds productive.
- 16) GARDENERS AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE GARDEN GROUP AND OWNERS OF THE LAND FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY THEMSELVES OR THEIR GUESTS.
- 17) ANY DISPUTES CONCERNING THE GARDEN MUST BE WRITTEN UP, SIGNED, DATED, AND SUBMITTED TO THE GARDEN TEAM LEADERS.

The Garden is an outreach ministry of WestWind Church. It is open to the public. You do not have to be a member of the church to lease a bed or volunteer. Volunteers are welcome.

**I have read and understand the application and accept these rules, terms, and conditions stated above for participation in WestWind Church Community Garden. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_**



WestWind Church Community Garden of Keller, Texas  
2024 Adopt-a-Plot Application and Agreement  
1300 Sarah Brooks Drive, Keller, TX  
Church office: 817-428-6775 westwindchurch@att.net

Circle one: Renewing gardener      New gardener (interview with coordinators)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell ph (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

List others who will be working with you on your plot:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month/day): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Info (Required)
Name: _____
Cell Ph: _____
Relationship: _____

Which of these areas motivate you to participate in WestWind Church Community Garden?

\_\_\_ Garden Education    \_\_\_ Vegetable Production    \_\_\_ Fruit Production    \_\_\_ Social  
\_\_\_ Community Service    \_\_\_ Growing Organic    \_\_\_ Composting    \_\_\_ Other

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REQUESTS: (Please initial to indicate your understanding and agreement.)

\_\_\_ Volunteer with our Monday morning *Harvesting-to-Donate*. (Gardeners may document time spent *Harvesting-to-Donate* toward required yearly service hours of at least one (1) hour per month, 12 hours per year.)

\_\_\_ Grant permission for garden photos of you and your family for our garden publicity.

**REQUIRED:**

\_\_\_ I will donate 50% of my produce to assist feeding underserved people in our community.

**REQUIRED:**

\_\_\_ I will participate in at least four (4) work (Garden Care) days per year. Care days will be the first Saturday of each month from approximately 9AM-noon, allowing for holidays and inclement weather. (Or I will contribute and document equivalent service (~12 hours) at other times if not available on Saturday Garden Care days.)

\_\_\_ I agree to complete and document at least one (1) hour per month (12 hours per year) of community work in the garden, not limited to my own plot. A list of volunteer activities is posted on the message board.

**REQUIRED:** (Please sign)

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read and agree to Garden Rules and Terms of Agreement to adopt a plot at WestWind Community Garden.

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This agreement allows the signer the use of a garden plot from **February 1, 2024** through **January 31, 2025**, unless otherwise terminated.

WestWind Community Garden Plot number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4x4 - \$20 \_\_\_\_\_ 4x8 - \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ 4x16 - \$45 \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> plot (\$10 discount) \_\_\_\_\_

Paid: Yes    No    Pending      Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_ EasyTithe \_\_\_\_\_

Payment by cash, checks payable to WestWind Church, or via EasyTithe on the WestWind Church website:  
<https://westwind-church.org/giving/>; designate "community garden" and please inform garden coordinator.