

Returning Gardener Fees: \$30 R/ NR (non-refundable). Payable to the “City of Fairfield” and must be paid in full at the time of registration before April 15th of the current gardening year. Deposits will be refunded after end of year garden inspection OR carried over to a renewal agreement at the end of the current season for the next season.

Community Garden Plot Reservation and Huffman Park Rules:

- **Residents may reserve one plot.** Open plots after this date will be made available to new gardeners & non-residents.
- Plots will be assigned on a first come, first served basis and are limited to **ONE per household.**
- Current gardeners in good standing will be allowed to register before October 31st to garden through the winter and reserve their plot for the following year without additional deposit. Garden inspections will occur the 1st week in November, weather permitting.
- Between April 15 & October 31st the community garden is available from dawn to dusk, seven days a week.
- Gardeners will be given advance notice of at least 15 days for any dates that access to the gardens will be restricted.
- Children are welcome to join you in your garden, but must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.
- No drugs or alcohol are permitted on City of Fairfield property, including Huffman Park.
- Pets are permitted in the garden only if on a leash. Always clean up after your pets.

Garden Plot Details:

- Each gardener will be allocated one (1) 8’ x 16’ plot in the Huffman Park Community Gardens.
- A water source and hose is provided. Please use water responsibly. Do not use the water source for more than 30 minutes. Do not turn hose/sprinkler on and leave the garden; you must stay on site if using the water source.
- Limited storage space will be available to each gardener in the community storage shed. Shed is to be locked when not in use and before leaving the gardens. The City of Fairfield Parks & Recreation Department is not responsible for lost or missing items from the shed. It is recommended that each gardener label his/her tools.
- Compost bins will be provided for appropriate organic material from the gardens – plant parts, rotted fruit or vegetables, root material and leaves are all suitable compost materials. No wood, branches, sticks, trash or other waste may be placed in the compost bins. Please review composting guidelines provided at Garden Opening.

Gardeners Responsibilities:

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- Maintain garden plot during the season including: tilling, planting, adding compost, watering, weeding & harvesting
- Close garden plot by October 31st, returning it to bare soil (no weeds or plants) and leaf compost if provided.
- Keep all the walkways clear and free of trash, plant materials, weeds, and supplies.
- Provide gardening tools. For safety reasons, no tools or supplies of any kind may be left unattended at the garden site.
- Harvest **ONLY** their own crops, unless given written permission by another gardener.
- Notify the Parks & Recreation Department if they are unable to maintain their plot for an extended period of time. If any plot becomes unkempt through neglect, the gardener will be given notice to clean it up. If the cleanup does not occur, the plot will be subject to reassignment.
- **Failure by the gardener to comply with the terms of this Returning Gardener Agreement may result in the termination hereof, and may exclude them from future garden agreements by the Parks & Recreation Department.**

Garden Use Rules:

- Do not use fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellants that will affect other plots in any way.
- **Restricted Plants:** Noxious plants, invasive plants, or other illegal plants are not allowed.
- Fences must appear neat and not exceed 36 inches in height. Supports will be made of standard materials, and may not obstruct vision throughout the garden. Metal fencing of any kind is prohibited except trellises and wire used to grow climbing plants, which may not exceed six feet.
- **Do not throw** trash, weeds, plant material, spoiled fruits or vegetables in the field surrounding the garden.



2022 Huffman Park Community Gardens
Plot Application & Agreement Form
 City of Fairfield, Parks and Recreation
 411 Wessel Drive, Fairfield, OH 45014
 5613-867-5348 www.fairfieldoh.gov

Huffman Park Community Gardens – Gardener Information
All fields must be completed legibly for agreement to be accepted.

Gardener Name:	
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Gardener Address:	
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Phone (Please check preferred contact number)

<input type="checkbox"/> Home Phone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Phone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell Phone:
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Gardener E-mail:	
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Emergency Contact:	Phone
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This Garden Agreement is subject to change. All rules, guidelines, and policies of the City of Fairfield and the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Board override any of the information in this Garden Agreement should it be determined there is a conflict.

Release and Indemnification – Gardener assumes the risk of his/her gardening and related activities hereunder and releases the City of Fairfield, its officers, agents and employees from any and all liability for injuries, damages or losses incurred in the course of such activities. Gardener agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Fairfield, its officers, agents and employees, from and against legal liability for all claims, losses, damages, and expenses to the extent such claims, losses, damages or expenses are caused by his/her negligent acts, errors, or omissions. In the event such claims, losses, damages or expenses are caused by the joint or concurrent negligence of the Gardener and the City of Fairfield, such liability shall be borne by each party in proportion to its own negligence.

I have read and understand the Huffman Park Community Gardens Gardener Agreement and Release and Indemnification clause:

Gardener's Signature	Date
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Return this form with payment:	By Mail: Huffman Community Gardens C/O Molly McGraw 411 Wessel Drive Fairfield, OH 45014	Email completed form to MJMcGraw@FairfieldOH.gov You will be contacted to make payment pending plot availability.
<u>For office use only:</u>	Date Received: _____ Payment: _____	Received By _____