

## 2012 Community Harvest Garden Adopt-a-Plot Agreement

All gardeners must agree to and sign this agreement annually or semi-annually before receiving a plot

**Each gardener will:**

1. Pay an annual \$35 fee, \$20 for a half plot or for half a year.
2. Donate 50% of any unmarked produce available at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning.
3. [Participate in a community harvest a minimum of 5 times per year, deliver produce to a designated local food bank and report weight to community log.](#)
4. Be responsible for keeping his/her allotted plot and 1.5' border surrounding plot free of weeds and grass. (A minimum of weekly tending including watering, weeding, and harvesting is required during peak growing season.)
5. Participate in a 2 hour community maintenance Saturday morning work session a minimum of once a month to help care for common areas. Accept responsibility for one of these areas: compost piles, fruit tree orchard, herb gardens, perimeter paths, berry canes, sending harvest reminders and maintaining log, communicating with the public and church community through writing Facebook and web site posts and newsletter articles. [Record your work and attendance at the kiosk and e-mail the group list of any work made-up at another time.](#)
6. Continuously produce vegetables, fruits and companion plants by succession planting, mulching all soil with organic matter, and using proper watering techniques. Plots should never have bare soil. Plant a winter cover crop (ex: hairy vetch, buckwheat, peas, rye) when not producing vegetables.
7. Never step on the garden beds and plot soil.
8. Never harvest for yourself or work another gardener's plot unless you have permission from that plot gardener.
9. Learn and use best practices for organic gardens.
10. Respect neighboring plots by keeping vines and shade from tall plants or trellis within plot borders. Tall and sprawling plants can be placed on the north slope.
11. Keep areas litter free.
12. Never use drugs, alcohol or tobacco on garden grounds.
13. Never bring pets into the garden area.
14. Never compost dog and cat feces.
15. Never request donations on behalf of the garden unless given prior written authorization by the garden committee.
16. Inform garden committee immediately if unable to maintain his/her plot for any reason (i.e. health, work or other reasons). Prepare a mid-year forfeited plot for the next gardener by clearing it of any non-producing plants and weeds.

Your plot will be given to another gardener after two warnings on the occasion of a breach of these conditions.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to follow all the guidelines as stated above in exchange for receiving a garden a plot in the Community Unitarian Universalist Church Community Harvest Garden. I understand that the church is not responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless the Community Unitarian Universalist Church of Plano for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or any of my guests. I agree to follow all guidelines set forth.

Signed	Date	Email address	Plot #
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Emergency Contact		Phone

Mail this, along with a check for \$35 for a 4'x16' plot, \$20 for a 4'x8' plot or a half year of a full plot made out to Community Unitarian Universalist Church, to: Deb Bliss, P O Box 863321, Plano, TX 75086-3321