

# Sisters Community Garden

## 2025 Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Landline \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred method of contact:**  Email  Text  Phone

(Please indicate here  if you do not want your phone and/or email information shared with the SCG membership.)

### **Returning Gardeners:**

I will continue to use plot # \_\_\_\_\_.

### **New Gardeners**

Mark your choices in order of preference—1 2,3.

Large (15'-20'x4') \$45.00  Small (Under 15'x4') \$35.00

Half (approx. 10'x4') \$30.00

Please indicate here if you would like to be mentored by an experienced gardener.

### **All Gardeners**

All gardeners are eligible to use the Greenhouse for starting plants on West wall shelves. For questions regarding use of the GH, please see the Greenhouse Guidelines or contact Nancy Bright, Greenhouse Manager, 541 588-2370.

### **Greenhouse Lotteries**

Gardeners may choose to enter the lottery for either a raised bed or east wall space in the GH. Fees are collected after the winners are chosen at the April 5 Garden Orientation. Please check one option below to enter the GH Lotteries.

an assigned 3'x4' raised bed plot in the Greenhouse (\$15.00 fee).

an assigned 2.5'x 2' space for pots on the Greenhouse east wall (no fee).

### **Back-40 Lottery**

Any gardener may enter the Back-40 Lottery. There are 16 large plots available for plants that like to spread out, such as squash. Please indicate below if you want to be entered into the lottery.

Winners will be chosen at the April 5 Garden Orientation.

an assigned 4'x4' plot in the Back-40 for squash, potatoes, etc. (no fee).

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

I want to help the Garden by serving as a Steward of a communal area (berries, flowers, herbs, etc.). Stewardship information is available on the SCG website and at the Apr. 5 Garden Orientation. (See “Spring 2025 Calendar” on page 2 of the Feb. 1 welcome letter.)

I am willing to serve as a mentor to new gardeners.

**Enclose cash or your check payable to “Sisters Community Garden” for the total amount shown below.**

I have read and signed the Release of Liability document.

I have read and agree to abide by the Garden Rules and Guidelines.

I understand that my failure to adhere to these Rules may result in the loss of my garden plot.

I understand that I must sign and return both the Application and Release of Liability documents with my check, to be accepted as a SCG member for 2025.

**Mail your Application, signed Release of Liability form and payment by Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> to:**

**Sisters Community Garden, PO Box 434, Sisters, OR 97759.**

**If you have any questions please contact Holly Lange, Membership Coordinator, at [sisterscommunitygarden@gmail.com](mailto:sisterscommunitygarden@gmail.com) or 408 796-8084.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amt. Rec'd:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Donation Amt.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check Nr:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Plot Assigned:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Assigned:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Sisters Community Garden Guidelines and Rules 2025**

Individual and Community Plots are available to gardeners who desire to grow vegetables and participate in work parties for the upkeep and maintenance of the Garden.

1. Individual plots will be assigned by March 31. Priority is given to previous gardeners who have fulfilled garden obligations.
2. Each gardener must cultivate and maintain their assigned plot during the growing season. See below for **Neglected Plot Procedure**.
3. Each growing season, every gardener is responsible for helping with the upkeep and maintenance of the entire garden area. Specifically, gardeners are required to participate in 2 work parties for the purpose of maintaining common areas. In lieu of work party participation, gardeners are asked to accomplish and report to the Garden Manager at least 8 hours of work to maintain the common areas.
4. Each gardener is responsible for weeding and maintaining the common areas near their plot.
5. Produce is only to be harvested from your own assigned plot.
6. Please supervise your children in the garden.
7. No pets are allowed in the garden at any time.
8. Gardeners are responsible for disposing of their trash and garden waste. Please take it home or to the Fryrear Transfer Station.
9. At the end of the growing season, dead plants and weeds are to be removed from plots by October 15. Beyond this date, gardeners may tend living plants. However, successful “shoulder season” gardening requires hand watering and utilizing methods of protecting plants from severe weather.

### **Neglected Plot Procedure:**

- **May 1** – Notice will be sent to any gardener who has not cultivated or otherwise maintained their plot. This notice, from the Membership Coordinator, will be sent via the gardener’s preferred communication method, as specified in their application. The notice will include a copy of the Garden Rules and will advise that if the plot is not cultivated/maintained by **May 15**, the Garden will reassign the plot, unless arrangements are made.
- **If you need help with your garden plot, contact the Membership Coordinator** (Holly Lange, 408 796-8084). You will be connected with a mentor.
- **Following June 1st**, any open plot not purchased by a new gardener will be made available to current gardeners wanting a 2nd plot.
- **August 15 (or as needed)**- Notice will be sent to the gardener of any plot with unharvested produce, that unless the gardener disagrees, the Garden will harvest and donate to the Food Bank.