

Trinity Village

by Lutheran Homes Kitchener - Waterloo

Community Gardens

2025-Rules, Terms and Conditions

1. Gardens must be started by May 31st, if possible (weather permitting).
2. Gardeners must not expand their plots beyond the marked boundaries. Your plants shall not shade or creep into neighbouring plots. Invasive plants and/or Marijuana are not permitted.
3. Gardeners realize that they are responsible for their plots during the entire growing season (May 1st-November 1st). If the garden is neglected, a notice will be sent and the gardener will have 2 weeks to tend to their plot. If the gardener will be away, they must inform Hedi Lee, Horticulture Manager 519-893-6320 ext. 252, and make arrangements for someone to look after their garden.
4. Please make sure all tools are returned to the appropriate hook in the shed. Water is provided at the large rain barrel.
5. Gardeners must pick **only** their own produce unless specifically given permission by the plot holder. Failing to harvest (if the plot has been neglected or abandoned) will result in a harvest donation to Trinity Village. The Horticulture Manager will attempt to contact you prior to harvesting for the purpose of donating your neglected produce.
6. We are striving to have an organic garden as part of our values of an ecologically sustainable environment. Do NOT use synthetic fertilizers and weed or pest control. Compost and leaf mold mulch are both available to feed the soil and reduce the weed threat. Biological and beneficial insects are always encouraged.
7. Pets are not allowed in the garden area.
8. Small children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.
9. All organic waste, with some exceptions should be deposited in the compost piles by the greenhouse. Please do not discard the following in the compost: diseased plant material, including any adversely affected tomatoes (blossom end rot, late blight, etc), tomato and cucumber vines, mildewed plant material, absolutely no bindweed, any weeds that have started producing seed. Instead, please place these items in the appropriate food waste bins along the side the Studios. Signs are posted.

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10. There is a garbage receptacle provided by the shed. Please be responsible with your garbage. All recyclable materials such as bedding plant containers and pots, take-out containers including coffee cups should be taken home and recycled in a blue box. Please do not leave them on site.
11. Community garden plots are intended for primarily growing food. If you would rather grow flowers, please talk to the Horticulture Manager about a plot in one of the flower beds on site.
12. Gardeners, please remember that the community gardens are part of Trinity Village which is home to many residents who might be dealing with dementia. If a resident is accidentally in your garden plot, please show patience and redirect them in a gentle manner.
13. The front portion of your garden between the bunny fence and the main path is called “Leo’s Line” in honour of a former gardener who loved to share with everyone.
14. The bunny fence is inch square fencing – it is up to you if you grow vines up it. Just remember the weight of your vine when fully grown may bring down the fence which you would have to repair AND you are responsible for removing all vines when the season is over.
15. There are no on-site washrooms available during the 2025 season.

For any questions, please contact: Hedi Lee, Horticulture Manager
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