



Harrisburg Community Garden 2017 Plot Registration Application Form

Please fill out application completely.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Daytime phone _____

E-mail _____ (All Community Garden communication occurs via email. The Community Gardens' email address is parks@harrisburgsd.gov. Please provide your e-mail address.)

This program is open to Harrisburg residents on a first-come, first-serve basis with priority given to people who successfully gardened in the program last year. Out-of-town residents may be included as space permits.

New Gardener Renewing Gardener at _____ location.
Please list garden site # from 2016

Garden location: (8 x 20 foot plots)

Harrisburg South Addition (Take Grand Avenue South to end of road and entrance of Garden Site)

Fee: \$35.00 (please include payment with your application)

By signing this application, I agree that I have read and understand the 2017 Harrisburg Community Garden Guidelines and plan to abide by all of the garden rules. I understand that neither the garden leadership nor the owner(s) of the land are responsible for my actions, and I agree to hold them harmless for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or my guests. I also agree to release my information for items pertaining to this garden plot.

Signature of applicant

Date

Plot registration application forms open on **March 17, 2017**. Please retain a copy of the 2017 Guidelines for your records and mail the application form to:

Attn: Park Board
City of Harrisburg
PO Box 26
Harrisburg, SD 57032

- **Remit payment with your application.**
- If your application is approved, you will receive confirmation. Deadline for applications May 1, 2017.
- If we cannot fulfill your request for a garden plot, you will be notified and your payment will be returned.



2017 Guidelines

The Harrisburg Community Garden program was designed for people like you—renters without access to land, or homeowners with too-small or too-shady yards. There are no income requirements.

People who choose to be community gardeners are expected to maintain their garden plots for the entire growing season and to provide volunteer help in preparing the garden sites with activities such as staking plots and applying organic mulch. Gardeners are also expected to clean their plots at the end of each growing season. The Harrisburg Community Garden is a cooperative effort involving the, South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service, Harrisburg Park Board, City of Harrisburg, and a dedicated group of volunteers.

Garden Details

- **Fees.** \$35 for the season pays for water bills, tilling expenses, and future garden investments.
- **Weed Control.** Each gardener is responsible for weed control in their plot and the control of weeds and grass in paths around the plot. Failure to keep weeds controlled will result in forfeit of your plot.
- **Plowing/Tilling.** Plots will be tilled and ready to plant as soon as possible, but *typically* by mid-May weather permitting. Please do not call to ask when the gardens will be ready. You will be contacted via email when the garden is available or look for the stakes marking plots when plowing is done.
- **Soil Condition.** Gardeners are encouraged to make soil improvements in their plots, using organic materials such as lawn clippings and other compost.
- **Garden Agreement.** It is expected that if you choose to be a community gardener, you will commit to maintaining your plot for the **ENTIRE** growing season. You must plant by May 31 and must clean out your plot by October 15. You will forfeit your plot if you fail to maintain your plot or fail to follow these guidelines.
- **Trash Removal.** Anything you bring into the garden sites, you are expected to carry out. If you use inorganic weed control (such as landscape fabric) you are responsible for maintaining its appearance. Please secure it to prevent it from flapping in the wind or flying away. The same goes for milk jugs and other plant supports. ALL materials must be removed from the garden at the end of the season. Failing to remove materials will forfeit your plot for next year.
- **Garden Hours.** The gardens are officially closed from dusk until dawn. Keep garden activities to daylight hours.
- **Watering.** Conservation is required. City watering rules must be followed. Water is meant only for garden plants. Must be present at garden site when watering. **HYDRANT CODE: 2013 Please re-lock hydrant when not in use.**
- **Neighborliness.** Be considerate. Do not plant tall varieties in such a way that they would shade your neighbor's plot. Do not pick crops from another gardener's plot without permission. Any plants outside of plot area may be disturbed during normal site maintenance.
- **Prohibitions.** Perennial plants, trees, building materials, and carpet are not allowed in the community gardens.
- **Vandalism.** The City of Harrisburg is not responsible for vandalism to the community gardens. Please report any vandalism to the local sheriff. Picking produce or flowers from plots other than your own is prohibited.
- **Damage caused by fowl.** The gardens experienced damage by geese this past year, the City of Harrisburg is not responsible and you may want to install a small fence around the perimeter of your garden to deter them from eating your produce. Please remember to keep the fence within the boundaries of the plot or it may be removed by the mower.
- **Deadline.** 2017 plot registration applications may be submitted starting March 17, 2017. Garden placement is on a first-come, first-serve basis with a maximum number forty-eight (48) plots for 2017. Applications are due by May 1, 2017 for the 2017 Harrisburg Community Garden program.
- **Notification.** Gardeners, whose applications have been approved, will receive e-mail notification, please include your email address on the application.

Please keep these guidelines for your reference.