



Glendale Heights Community Garden
College Park: 2170 College Drive,
Glendale Heights, IL 60139

Glendale Heights Community Garden Guidelines

Facility:

The Village of Glendale Heights has a community garden at College Park (2170 College Drive, Glendale Heights, IL 60139). This garden features 24 10'x10' plots and 4 3'x10' ADA-accessible plots for individuals interested in growing vegetables, flowers, or other plants. The plots will be available for rent on an annual basis. Registered gardeners have access to the garden from dawn until dusk.

Annual Registration Fees:

Resident Household: \$15/plot

Non-Resident Household: \$30/plot

Resident Senior (60+) Household: \$10/plot

Guidelines and Rules:

1. Resident registration for the community garden opens on February 1, 2025. Non-resident registration opens one week later on February 8, 2025. Garden access will be available no later than April 1, 2025, at the discretion of the Leisure Services Department.
2. Each household may only rent one plot per year unless additional plots remain available after March 30, 2025.
3. Each plot is numbered and is selected at the time of registration. Any switches or transfers must be approved by the Leisure Services Department.
4. Only registered gardeners are permitted to use the community garden. Unauthorized use of a plot may result in removal of plants, tools, and accessories.
5. All registered gardeners are responsible for providing their own tools and accessories.
6. Gardening tools and accessories should not be left on site. The Village of Glendale Heights is not responsible for any items that are lost or stolen.
7. The community garden is to remain chemical-free. The use of herbicides and pesticides is strictly prohibited.



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8. A compost bin will be available in the community garden. Please use this bin for all biodegradable plant materials.
9. Water for registered gardeners will be available through the on-site well and water barrels. Each registered gardener will be provided with a key to access the water. A \$5 replacement fee will be charged for any lost or unreturned keys.
10. Registered gardeners are responsible for weeding and maintaining their own plots. No plot may contain weeds taller than 8 inches. If a plot exceeds these standards, the gardener will be contacted by the Village of Glendale Heights and given one week to resolve the issue. Failure to comply within the given timeframe may result in the Village mowing the entire plot and potential plot reassignment. Staff will conduct weekly walkthroughs and send maintenance reminders as needed.
11. If you are temporarily unable to maintain your plot, please contact the Recreation Supervisor in charge, Jessica Maricich at 630-909-5123 or jessica_maricich@glendaleheights.org.
12. Registered gardeners may only harvest from their own plot.
13. Children are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
14. Dogs are not permitted within the garden area.
15. All plants must remain within the boundaries of the gardener's registered plot. No gardener's plants may negatively impact another gardener's plot or plants. This includes a height restriction, with all plants limited to a maximum height of 6 feet.
16. At the end of the growing season, registered gardeners are responsible for clearing and cleaning their plot of all plant material. All plots not cleared by November 1, 2025, will be cleared by the Leisure Services Department.
17. The Director of Leisure Services has the authority to exercise discretion in reallocating a plot or suspending a gardener for violations or inappropriate actions. The Director will review and update the *Glendale Heights Community Garden Guidelines* as needed throughout the year.