

Fountain Hills Community Garden (FHCG) Garden Bed Rental Agreement

Thank you for your interest in the Community Garden bed rentals. Rentals run on a calendar year basis; January 1 – December 31. One Friend of the Garden membership is included with each Garden Bed rental.

Garden Beds are 4'x10'; there are two different heights, 24" high and 12" high. The rental fees are:

4'x10'x24" = \$200.00 annually

4'x10'x12" = \$100.00 annually

American Disabilities Act compliant (ADA) beds are 39"x 45"x 30" = \$100.00 annually

*****There is a \$25 discount for gardeners renting more than one garden bed and currently grandfathered in our lease agreement.**

*****While there is a wait list, only 1 bed will be rented until there are more beds available. The limit of 2 beds will be a new rule beginning July 2019. The date of your wait list request will be your number in line.**

The Garden Bed rental includes (these items all stay at the garden)

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| -Organic soil | -Irrigation timer |
| -Shade cloth | -Initial basic irrigation supplies |
| -3 support hoops | -Water bib |

Items you will need:

-Multi use 5 gal bucket: to sit on, collect harvest, carry tools, transport compost and cuttings

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| -Gardening gloves, garden hand tools & scissors | -Frost cloths | |
| -Soil Amendments | -Bird netting | -Trash bags |

All garden bed rental members have access to: a small community herb garden (as available), compost, and coffee grounds for nitrogen, some tools and seeds (some for sale or donation), classes, membership updates, share basket, greenhouse and special events.

The garden has a shed on site with tools that are available for use and during work days, when a garden manager is present. Please clean all tools and place in storage locations. **Although the garden has 3 waste bins, we ask that you bring plastic garbage bags from home and take your garbage home with you. There are 6 compost bins available for debris. Please remember when composting: no weeds.**

no seeds and chop particles 2"-3". All gardeners are required to remove their garden debris.

Communication is essential to your success. Many of us are novices at gardening. We encourage you to ask questions, follow the group on Facebook, attend meetings held at the garden, read our monthly Newsletter, and visit our website.

<http://www.fountainhillscommunitygarden.com>

We have 3 garden managers: Joy Hubbard 602-692-1183, Rita Applegate 816-896-8507 and Mark Dalton 480-390-7255. Please call or text with questions or to request assistance. You must partner with one of the garden managers to review how the irrigation system works and for a list of soil amendments.

The FHCG Board is an all-volunteer board that operates under the The Fountain Hills Cultural & Civic Association. The FHCCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The FHCG Board is the governing authority and Garden members are subject to their by-laws and terms.

Responsibilities of a Garden Bed Renter:

-Gardeners will use only organic products. NO pesticides or toxic materials are to be used.

-The use of power tools is not permitted.

- I will respect other gardener's beds. I will not take their plants, use their garden hoses or tools from their garden bed.

-My bed is (4x10) feet. I will NOT expand my bed beyond this measurement or onto paths or other beds. I will keep all my plants within the limits of my garden bed and will not allow any plants to grow more than six feet high. **I must keep my bed and it's surrounding area free of weeds, pests and any fungus. All bird netting must be kept out of the aisle to prevent any trip hazards.**

-I will water my bed according to water-wise guidelines. Garden managers will monitor overwatered garden beds. Garden managers will notify members with any issues.

-If you have other people gardening with you, **PLEASE** be sure they are signed up as A Friend of the Garden and pay the \$10.00 membership fee. Each gardener will have their own gate code. Gardeners are **NOT** to share their gate code or leave the gate open.

-If you are a seasonal gardener and leave for extended periods of time, longer than 3 weeks, you must follow the procedure to close down your garden bed, located on our website.

Additional Information

There are no refunds. Payment is made to FH Cultural and Civic Association.

Garden beds are first offered to gardeners currently renting at the garden. Any remaining garden beds will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. **Once all of the garden bed rentals are paid for, we will start a waiting list. When there is a wait list, only 1 bed will be leased, until garden beds become available. There is a 2 bed limit.**

You are welcome to bring in guests to the garden and give them a tour. They are your responsibility and under your supervision at all times and they should not touch or take items from other garden beds, this includes children who must be supervised at all times.

Breaking any rules, terms and conditions, is cause for exclusion from the garden and loss of your garden bed. You will receive one verbal warning from the garden manager. If no response or correction has been made, you will receive a written notice two weeks later. In another two weeks, if no response or correction has been made, you will receive written final notification that you have forfeited your gardening privileges and garden bed.

I will not plant any illegal plants. I will not smoke, drink alcoholic beverages, use illegal drugs or gamble in the garden. I will not come to the garden while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs. I will not bring weapons or pets or other animals to the garden. I will not grow plants that are prohibited. (see website)

I will attend the garden member meetings as available. All garden members are expected to participate in a minimum of 2 work days annually; more is always appreciated.

Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Claims:

I forfeit my right to sue the owner of the property, the FHCG and FHCCA. I understand that neither the garden group nor owners of the land are responsible for my actions. I understand that participating in the Garden has a risk of death or injury to myself or my guest and damage to my personal property. These risks could be caused by me or other gardeners. The risks could also come from the condition of the land where the Garden is located, or the equipment and tools available at the garden, or the weather or other environmental or local conditions. **Therefore, I agree to hold harmless the garden group, the FHCCA and owners of the land for any liability, damage, lawsuit, cost or claim that occurs directly or indirectly resulting from, or arising out of connection with the use of the Garden by me or any of my guests.**

Medical Care Waiver You give up any right to sue or otherwise attempt to collect money arising out of any first aid, treatment, or medical service. You understand that you are not covered by or eligible for any insurance, health care, workers' compensation or any other benefits. Members are requested to contact Mark Dalton 480-390-7255 regarding any grievance relating to any garden matter or person.

GARDEN BED RENTAL AND MEMBERSHIP FORM (please print)

Gardener: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

____ \$200 Annual fee for 4’x10’x24” Garden bed. Each garden bed rental includes
1 Membership

____ \$100 Annual fee for 4’x10’x12” Garden bed. Each garden bed rental includes
1 Membership

____ \$100 Annual fee for 39”x45”x30” ADA Garden bed. Each bed rental includes
1 Membership

____ I am a returning gardener and would like to renew. My garden bed numbers are:

Payment Options ____ Pal Pal: Through FHCCA website:
<http://www.ilovefountainhills.org>

Date Paid _____

____ **Check: Mail check with these Membership forms. Make check payable to FHCCA, address below.**

Date Mailed _____

**Mailing address: Fountain Hills Cultural and Civic Association (FHCCA)
P. O. Box #18254, Fountain Hills, AZ. 852468**

We welcome your help to grow and sustain the garden. Please check all you volunteer interest:

____ Phone calls

____ Composting

____ Kids Group

____ Events

____ Food Bank

____ Greenhouse

____ Maintenance

____ Coffee ground pickup

____ Trash

Please be sure to complete these forms and retain the Agreement (pages 1-3 for your reference). These Membership forms must be returned to us in order to receive access to the garden and receive your gate code. You may mail to our P. O. Box, scan (no pictures) and email to **fh.cultural.civic@gmail.com** or leave an envelope in the garden bench for **Mark Dalton**. Thank you.

My signature or payment, indicates that I have read and understood the Membership Agreement. I agree to abide by said terms and conditions.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

My Garden Partners:

Please list the names of the additional gardeners that will be sharing the garden bed. These individuals are required to pay the Friend of the Garden fee of \$10.00 annually and complete and sign a Membership form. They will be assigned their own gate code. Children 12 and younger are free however; no gate code, they are to be supervised by an adult at all times. Please list their names below.

Name: _____ Name: _____

Name: _____ Name: _____

For office use: _____ Bed# _____ Badge _____ Gate Code _____ Email list
_____ Payment information

Thank you very much! See you around the garden!

