

**Hunt County Shared Ministries -- FISH  
Community Garden  
Contract for Gardeners 2015**

Guidelines and Rules:

1. The FISH Community Garden will provide the garden plot and access to water.
2. There is an annual fee of \$15.00 for each plot. Gardeners will be allowed to adopt up to two (2) plots. If a gardener wishes to have more than two plots, he/she must seek approval from the FISH Executive Director or the Community Garden Committee.
3. The lease period is from January 1 through December 31. Gardeners should notify FISH by December 1 of their intention to either return or leave the Fish Community Garden for the next year.
4. If a plot must be abandoned for any reason, the gardener must notify FISH at 903 455-0545 or via e-mail [wjeffers@hcsmfish.org](mailto:wjeffers@hcsmfish.org).
5. There is no refund of the annual fee.
6. Gardeners will be responsible for the planting and weed-free maintenance of their allotted plot and adjacent paths and to keep it in VEGETABLE AND FRUIT production during the growing season.
7. If a garden plot becomes unkempt, is not maintained or is neglected, the responsible gardener will be contacted by the FISH Garden Committee. Abandoned or neglected garden plots are eligible for reassignment.
8. Gardeners will work only in their own assigned plot unless they have permission from another plot user.
9. Ripe fruit and vegetables will be harvested on a regular basis (as needed) by the gardener. Gardeners are encouraged to donate surplus fruit and vegetables to the FISH Food Pantry.
10. Watering of the garden is the gardener's responsibility
  - a. Watering is permitted 7 days a week, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except during Jan – Feb watering is only available Monday – Friday 9 a.m. till Noon upon request)
  - b. No overhead watering
  - c. No unattended watering
11. Supervised children are welcome.
12. Pets are not allowed in the gardens.
13. Gardeners will be encouraged to use organic gardening methods. Gardeners should not use fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellents that will in any way affect other plots.
14. Invasive (spreading) plants should be contained.

15. Gardeners agree to volunteer hours toward community gardening efforts including seasonal preparation and clean-up of the garden area and routine maintenance of common garden areas.

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I have read and understand the Guidelines and Rules of the FISH Community Garden. I agree to abide by these Guidelines and Rules.

- I will pay a fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help cover garden expenses.
- I will keep fruits and vegetables planted during the growing season.
- I will maintain my garden plot.
- I will water only during the hours permitted and according to the guidelines.
- If I must abandon it for any reason, I will notify Hunt County Shared Ministries –FISH.
- I will participate in common area preparation and clean-up efforts.
- I will help keep trash and litter cleaned from the plot as well as from adjacent pathways.
- I will tend only my own plot unless given permission by another plot user.
- I will not use fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellents that will in any way affect other plots.
- I will not bring my pets into the garden area.

I understand that neither the garden group, nor the owners of the land are responsible for my action. I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE HUNT COUNTY SHARED MINISTRIES – FISH, OWNERS OF THE LAND FOR MY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Gardner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Hunt County Shared Ministries  
Community Garden  
P. O. Box 124  
2805 King Street  
Greenville, TX 75403-0124

Plot assignment \_\_\_\_\_

Hunt County Shared Ministries – FISH  
Community Gardner Registration

I am a:            New Gardner            Returning Gardner

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I give permission to release to the media any photographs of me or my family at the garden.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read/will read and agree with the Guidelines and Rules for the FISH Community Garden.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that the primary form of communication is e-mail.

List others who will be working with you on your plot.

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What motivates you to participate in the community garden.

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**For HCSM-FISH use only:**

Plot # \_\_\_\_\_

Paid annual fee    Y / N

Date: \_\_\_\_\_