

Forest St. Community Garden - 2024 Gardener Information

Hello Gardeners!

General information about all garden operations:

- **Tools in the corn crib shed:** lock combination 9876 - on whiteboard, lower right
 - Use and return tools daily. Leave things better than you found them.
 - 4 wheelbarrows - pitch forks, shovels, rakes are all nicely hung up. There are various specialty tools in the back left of the corn crib.
 - Please let a garden leader know of any broken, missing, or needed tools.
 - Mower and Weed Whip - both are available - fuel and starting fluid are in the shed.
- **Water:** Last to leave each day - turn off water main and lock handle
 - **Water main valve:** single dirty-white valve handle on grey post near ground.
 - **New:** Padlock and lock hasp - same combination as the shed (9876)
 - Slide padlock shackle through hole on main valve in the off position and insert padlock shackle onto the locking hasp. Lock padlock and scramble the locking combination.
 - The new lock is to deter water theft and misuse by non-gardeners.
 - **Daily:** return hoses and nozzles back to normal and shut off garden water and lock water valve main.
- **Compost bins:** behind white maintenance garage
 - **1st bin** - discard disease-free plants and vegetables - NO TOMATOES VINES, NO INVASIVE WEEDS (no quack grass, no creeping charlie,..). Please use & help turn/rotate the pile.
 - **2nd bin** - Cowsmo re-supplied - <https://www.cowsmocompost.com/>
 - **Stalky compost** - please set near the motorized chipper, to be ground into compost after it dries out.
- **Weeds and Green Bags/delivery bins:** Stored empty in pavilion shed or under pavilion sorting table:
 - Weigh the bags down or the wind will take them.

- Large green bags/delivery bins are for invasive weeds - knock soil out to reduce weight.
 - Feel free to drag the bag around as you work on your plot.
 - Full green bags - place close to the road - they are taken to the brush site (M/W/Sat.) as needed.
 - NOTE: If the bags are too heavy to move get a different bag and use it. Repeat as needed.
- **Garbage and Porta Pottie:**
 - The city will empty both as needed.
 - Please throw away old fencing or cages at home.
 - Please help keep the entire garden area free of garbage, as it reflects poorly on our community garden (passerby's and the city).