

Forest St. Community Gardens Shared Garden Application

Please complete the following information and return with payment to:

North River Fronts Neighborhood Assn.

CO: Forest St. Community Garden

529 Hobart St.

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Member Name: _____

Additional Members (for Family Membership only) _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

I am / We are interested in joining as of:

May 15, 2019

Single Membership \$25.00

Family Membership \$40.00

June 15, 2019

Single Membership \$30.00

Family Membership \$45.00

July 15, 2019

Single Membership \$35.00

Family Membership \$50.00

Payment is non-refundable

Make check payable to: North River Fronts Neighborhood, Assn.

HOLD HARMLESS / STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

The City of Eau Claire and North River Fronts Neighborhood, will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries, or damages, nor will the City of Eau Claire or North River Fronts Neighborhood be responsible for any theft, damage to, loss of, or replacement of any belongings, equipment, materials, or tools, or plantings. There is no security for any personal belongings.

Failure to follow any garden or public area rules and regulations may result in loss of membership. Memberships are non-transferable. Members may seek to re-establish gardening privileges and will work with the Membership Association to do so. The member will not be eligible for any refund or reimbursement for any materials.

Please make sure that you have read and understand the attached guidelines and membership expectations, and sign below indicating that you agree to the rules and conditions.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Forest Street Shared Garden Membership

The goal of the Forest St. Community Garden is to provide an area for individuals and families to learn how to garden, to build and nurture community friendships and to increase access to high quality, organic produce for Eau Claire residents who may not have access due to lack of finances, education or due to current life situation. Extra produce is regularly donated to the Community Table (320 Putnam Street Eau Claire, WI 54703).

The Forest St. Community Garden also serves as a learning community for Members to gain experience in leadership, teaching, coordinating and community outreach.

Membership Benefits:

- Members of the Forest St. Community Garden are welcome to participate in weekly gardening sessions as often as preferred.
- When produce is ready and available, members who volunteer during gardening sessions are welcome to high quality, organic produce after each session.
- Gardening sessions serve as social events for Members to connect with each other and to learn more about gardening.
- Members are invited to and encouraged to participate in Community Days and other community education events.
- Members are invited to participate in Garden potlucks and activities.
- Members may invite friends to participate in garden sessions and events.

Forest Street Shared Garden Guidelines:

- Leave the garden looking better than you found it. Please help put away equipment at the end of garden sessions.
- Follow-through with responsibilities and contact the coordinators or appropriate person/s as soon as possible if you cannot cover your duties (leading gardening sessions, mowing or watering, etc.). Please find a sub or contact the coordinators or appropriate person as soon as possible.
- Whenever possible, arrive at the beginning of gardening sessions so that the session leader does not need to repeat instructions.
- Include and engage others in activities, the Forest St. Shared Garden is a safe space and welcomes all people.
- Do not harvest produce outside of gardening sessions unless permission from the coordinators has been granted and/or are harvesting for an approved program or donation. (If your schedule does not work with gardening sessions arrangements can be made that will fairly fit all schedules).
- You, your family and friends are welcome to be in the garden at any time you like so long as it doesn't interfere with educational sessions or related activities that are in-session. Non-Members can participate in Community Days and are welcome to participate in other events.
- Do not remove tools or equipment from gardening site unless specified to do so.
- Please walk with care, and do not trample surrounding plants. Please watch children and monitor their activities so that they do not disturb plots or damage plants.
- Pets are welcome though not encouraged in the gardening area. Please prevent your pet from wandering through the gardens and trampling plants or going to the bathroom in the gardening area.
- If you have a concern or issue with a Member please address it with them in a timely manner. If the issue cannot be resolved please communicate with the garden coordinators as they can aid in the manner and help resolve conflict.
- If you have a concern or issue with your responsibilities please communicate your issue with garden coordinators; we want you to feel as comfortable as possible with your membership.

I understand that the use of the Forest St. Shared Community Gardens fall subject to a lease between the North River Fronts Neighborhood Assn. All reasonable efforts are made to come to agreement with the city about policies and procedures for using this city land. Once the lease is signed all volunteers and gardeners must follow rules outlined in the lease.

I understand that neither the Forest St. Community Garden Coordinators, the City of Eau Claire, nor the North River Fronts Neighborhood are responsible for my actions. I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE FOREST ST. COMMUNITY GARDEN COORDINATORS, CITY OF EAU CLAIRE (OWNERS OF THE LAND), AND THE NORTH RIVER FRONTS NEIGHBORHOOD, ASSN. FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS AS SIGNED ON THE FOREST ST. SHARED GARDEN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND HOME HARMLESS AGREEMENT FORM.

If you have any requests, or have any special needs, please let us know, we will make every effort to accommodate your requests: eauclairecommunitygarden@gmail.com

2019 Community Garden Coordinators:

Andrew Werthmann - Phone: 715-495-2451 or by email: eauclairecommunitygarden@gmail.com