

# SHEPHERD'S FIELD GARDEN APPLICATION

Shepherd's Field      P. O. Box 714      Sumner, WA 98390  
Location: 245 Valley Ave. E., Sumner, WA      Email: [ShepherdsField245@gmail.com](mailto:ShepherdsField245@gmail.com)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## **GARDENER INFORMATION**

- I am a new gardener.
- I am a returning gardener requesting my same plot, # \_\_\_\_\_
- I am a returning gardener requesting a plot change/addition \_\_\_\_\_

## **PLOT FEE**

- I would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ block(s) (each approx. 300 sq.ft.) for \$40 per plot for a total due of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \$ 50 One-time Clean-Up Deposit (for new gardeners only). When you have decided to no longer continue gardening at Shepherd's Field, you must clean your plot by October 31. Once this is completed your deposit will be returned. No deposit will be returned after October 31.

## **VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT** (Choose one or the other below.)

- I commit to volunteering at least four hours toward the community garden this season.
- I am including an extra \$40 fee with my application in lieu of my volunteer hours.

## **DONATION**

- Enclosed is a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the community garden fund.

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ with check # \_\_\_\_\_ payable to Shepherd's Field Garden.

The undersigned adult on behalf of themselves, their child/children agree to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Christ the King Lutheran Church, Shepherd's Field Garden and any of their agents; from any and all claims, demands, suits, penalties, losses, damages, judgments or costs of any kind whatsoever arising out of or in any way resulting from the activities of said individual in the garden program(s).

**You are required to print out, read, and sign the application (page 1) and the guideline (page 2) forms prior to participating in the community garden.** Return the completed, signed application form and the signed guideline form (**both** forms must be signed) along with payment to Shepherd's Field Garden, P.O. Box 714, Sumner, WA, 98390. Applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis with priority given to returning participants. For further questions and information, please email [ShepherdsField245@gmail.com](mailto:ShepherdsField245@gmail.com). Shepherd's Field is a 100% volunteer-powered organization. Volunteers will do their best to respond to inquiries within 10 working days. We look forward to gardening with you! 😊

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SIGNATURE

DATE

## SHEPHERD'S FIELD GARDEN GUIDELINES

[www. ShepherdsField245@gmail.com](mailto:www.ShepherdsField245@gmail.com)

1. We will accept applications on a first-come, first-serve basis. Returning gardeners have priority **if they renew their application by March 1, 2019**. Please contact the Garden Committee at [www.ShepherdsField245@gmail.com](mailto:www.ShepherdsField245@gmail.com) for general questions, clarifications or availability of plots. New gardeners must verify availability of plot prior to paying----no refunds. **No one is allowed to plant before payment has been received.**
2. All gardeners must attend a brief orientation at the garden site prior to cultivating their plot. This is to ensure that everyone has knowledge of systems such as watering, equipment, compost, etc. Orientation times and dates will be set up via e-mail or phone.
3. The success of the garden depends on volunteers. **All gardeners will be required to contribute a minimum of 4 hours volunteer time** during the summer months (or choose to pay the \$40 fee). There are jobs available for all ages and physical conditions. It is your responsibility to sign in and document your hours when you come to work. Neglecting to volunteer or pay \$40 by Oct. 31 will result in losing your plot.
4. Our goal is to have an organic garden. If an organic solution is not possible, please contact the Garden Committee.
5. Gardeners are responsible for cultivating, weeding and watering their own plots. Your plot needs to be in a cultivated status by June 15 out of respect for other gardeners. Plots that appear to be abandoned and full of weeds may be subject to reassignment with fees forfeited. Please keep your plot(s) maintained year- round; this includes removing all corn stalks, vines, dead plants, etc. at the end of the growing season.
6. Supervised kids are encouraged to respectfully participate in all the joys of gardening.
7. Be considerate of your neighbors when planting your garden. For example, tall crops may shade others' plots; squash vines may spread out of your area, etc. Think through these things ahead of time.
8. You may not fence your plot. Questions? Contact the Garden Committee.
8. Please do not walk through plots that are not your own.
9. Water is very expensive. **You may NOT leave water on if you are not at the garden**; this includes the use of water timing devices. Please use water wisely and conserve---the garden soil does not need constant watering.
10. Common-sense list of No's:
  - No pets
  - No garbage cans are available at the garden site so please take your garbage home with you
  - No invasive plants
  - No taking produce that is not yours
  - No tobacco
11. These guidelines are subject to change. You are responsible for checking your e-mail or the garden bulletin board for updated information throughout the year.

I have read the guidelines and agree to abide by them. I understand that my failure to comply may result in termination and reassignment of garden plots with no fees refunded.

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