

Garden Plot Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How much does it cost to reserve a garden plot?

It is a \$5.00 one-time non-refundable, non-transferable fee payable on your rental account. After applications are completed, this fee will be posted to your rental account and may be paid at the same time as you pay rent on Rent Cafe.

How do I sign up for a garden plot?

Starting March 19th, you can sign up for a garden plot at the Main Office. Office hours are Mon-Fri, 8:00am-4:30pm. Bring your photo ID and fill out a garden application at the cashier window. On March 19th from 8:00-10:00am, you can join the Garden Coordinator for donuts and conversations about gardening, volunteering and garden events.

I applied for my garden plot, what is the next step?

Garden plot distribution is on April 20th at 7:30am at the West gardens and 9:30am at the East Gardens. The West Village gardens are located on the west side of the West Village across the street from the 100 and 200 courts. The East Village gardens are located on the west side of the East Village next to the East Community Center (ECC) and the 1200 court. Please show up on time at the West Village or East Village garden plot area to select your garden plot and have it recorded.

What if I cannot make it to garden distribution day?

If you are unable to attend garden distribution on April 20th, please email the Garden Coordinator at usarescouncilfacilities@gmail.com to schedule a time to select your plot. Please DO NOT remove any flags from the garden plot area.

How is the order determined for garden distribution?

The order for garden distribution is determined randomly and will be posted in the Main Office on Friday, April 12th at 4:30pm.

All the garden plots are sold out; can I still purchase a garden plot?

Contact the Garden Coordinator at usarescouncilfacilities@gmail.com to see if any plots are available. After May 27th when all gardens must be actively planted, unplanted gardens will be redistributed.

Can I buy an extra plot?

No. Garden plots are limited to one plot per apartment. Any additional plots will be distributed to residents on the wait list.

How big are the garden plots?

The garden plots in the West Village are roughly 85 square feet, and the East Village garden plots are roughly 55 square feet.

How many garden plots are available?

There are 150 plots available in the West Village and 55 available in the East Village.

Where are the garden plots located?

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What is the next step after garden distribution day?

After your garden plot has been selected and recorded, it is now yours to use. Plots that remain unused after May 27th will be redistributed to residents on the waiting list.

Clean up of the garden plots will occur October 27th-Nov 3rd.

What do garden plot volunteers do?

The garden plot volunteers help the Garden Coordinator to stake the garden plots and then distribute them to residents. They must be available to volunteer Saturday, April 13th for staking, and Saturday, April 20th for distributing. By participating as a garden plot volunteer, these residents have first selection of their desired garden plot before they are distributed to garden plot applicants.

How do I become a garden plot volunteer?

Email the Garden Coordinator at usarescouncilfacilities@usa.utah.edu.