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 to the Main Office. After applications are completed, this fee will be posted to your rental account and can be paid at the same time as you pay rent.

**How do I sign up for a garden plot?**
Starting March 9, 2017 you can sign up for a garden plot in the Main Office. Office hours are Mon-Fri 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Garden plot application forms will be available at the cashier’s window (where you go to pay rent).

**I applied for my garden plot, what is the next step?**
Garden plot distribution is on April 15, 2017 at 8:00 AM at the 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 15, 2017 at 8:00 AM, there will be a secondary distribution the following week April 22, 2017 at 8:00 AM. Please DO NOT remove any flags from the garden plot area. If you are unable to attend either of these distribution dates please e-mail the Facilities Resident Council Member at rcfacilities@utah.edu to schedule a time to select your plot.

**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 7, 2017 at 4:30 PM.

**All the garden plots are sold out, can I still purchase a garden plot?**
There is a waiting list available at the cashier’s window in the main office for people who are interested in purchasing a garden plot after all the applications have been turned in. As unclaimed or unused plots become available they will be distributed to people on the waiting list in the order that they signed up.

**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 waiting list. There will be no waiting list for additional plots this year since there rarely are remaining plots to distribute.

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

**How many garden plots are available?**
There are 166 plots available in the West Village and 55 available in the East Village.
Where are the garden plots located?
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.

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 29, 2017 will be redistributed to residents on the waiting list. Clean-up of the garden plots will occur October 23 - November 6, 2017.

What do garden plot volunteers do?
The garden plot volunteers help resident council to stake the garden plots and then distribute them to residents. They must be available to volunteer Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 8:00 AM for staking (weather permitting), and Saturday, April 15, 2017 at 7:15 AM for garden plot distribution (weather permitting). 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?
Residents desiring to be garden plot volunteers should sign up on the form available on the public posting kiosk in the 24-hour Main Office Lobby. The sign-up form will be posted Thursday March 9, 2017 at 12:00 PM. Volunteers will be contacted via e-mail by the Facilities Resident Council Member with further instructions. If a volunteer has not been contacted by Monday, March 20, 2017 then they can contact the Facilities Resident Council Member at rcfacilities@utah.edu