



Community Garden at Post Oak

GARDENER ORIENTATION

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COMMUNITY GARDEN CONTACT INFORMATION

City Staff Contacts:

Parks and Recreation Department

512-632-6691

Parks@cityofkyle.com

Staff Contacts:

John Davis, Conservation Manager

Stacy Anderson, Outdoor Education and Trails Supervisor

Community Garden at Post Oak

512-262-3939

For maintenance and repair requests, email: communitygarden@cityofkyle.com

To request reasonable accommodations for plot rentals, email:

communitygarden@cityofkyle.com

COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Stephanie Chupp, Chair

Raelyn Monks, Vice Chair

Leigh'Ann Andrews

Louisa Hussein

Rebecca Price

Vacant

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GARDEN OVERVIEW

- 35+ garden plots
- ADA accessible garden tables & plots
- Greenhouse
- tool shed
- pergola
- picnic tables & benches
- compost, mulch & soil bins
- deer fencing, herb & flower gardens
- ADA restroom.
- 4x8 ADA garden tables
- 4x8x1 Garden plots
- 8x12x1 Garden plots



GENERAL GARDNER RULES

- All gardeners are required to attend a mandatory garden orientation. Only one plot per household is allowed.
- Violations of garden rules may result in forfeiture of garden plot rental fees, including paid rental fees.
- One hour of community service within the community garden is required of all gardeners each month.
- Plots must be planted within 21 days of assignment. Regular harvesting and maintenance are required including proper soil covering or resting.
- Stealing from plots, tools, or other items that are not your personal property are prohibited. Unauthorized locks on fences are prohibited.
- Gardeners must notify the city within fourteen days of any changes in their contact information.
- Utilization of paid labor by the gardeners or personal commerce is not allowed.

GENERAL RULES

Gate Code: _____

1. Hours of Operation are Sunrise to Sundown
2. Smoking, vaping, alcohol, or other illegal drugs are not allowed.
3. Amplified music is prohibited, except by permit.
4. Well-mannered, leashed dogs are allowed within your garden space. Please clean up after your dog.
5. All children under the age of 12 must be within arm's reach of an adult at all times.
6. Registered gardeners are allowed 4 guests at a time.
7. All gardeners are expected to respect one another. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
8. No campfires, burn barrels, or open flames are permitted.
9. Pick up your own trash. Pack out all debris.



TOOL SHED & COMPOST RULES

The Tool Shed Code Is:

- All gardeners must contribute to keeping the garden tool shed clean at all times.

COMPOST:

- Compost bins are for community garden generated plant waste only. Weeds must be bagged and disposed of in designated bins.
- Please cut the compost to 6 inches or shorter before adding it to the pile.

The Community Garden at Post Oak is an organic garden. Only organic fertilizers and controls are allowed. A complete list of approved and prohibited substances is provided to all gardeners below:

Organic Information:

- a. USDA Organic label: Many products in the gardening world may have the words "Natural" or "Organic" in their name.
- b. Some products, though not listed as organic or not approved by the OMRI, may still be used. The approval is based on the products having an insignificant amount of non-organic material because of processing or formulation.
- c. Approved Organic Products Include:
 1. Medina products
 2. Neptune Fish Fertilizer
 3. Lady Bug brand products
 4. Bonemeal
 5. Horticultural Molasses
 6. Compost Tea
 7. Super Thrive
 8. Bloodmeal
- d. Pest and disease control products (listing is either active ingredient or brand name)
 1. Neem (Neem should be listed as the ONLY active ingredient.)
 2. Bt (bacillus thuringiensis)
 3. Spinosad
 4. Diatomaceous Earth (DE) (DE should be listed as the ONLY active ingredient)

5. Insecticidal Soap
 6. Serenade (bacillus subtilus)
 7. Organicide
 8. Oil-based (Thyme, Wintergreen, Sesame, Clove) sprays
 9. Garlic-based sprays
 10. Pepper (capsaicin) sprays
 11. Bonide Garden Dust
- e. The following products are NOT allowed at any time within the Community Garden:
1. Dillo Dirt
 2. Milorganite
 3. City of Austin free compost
- f. This list is not complete and will be reviewed and updated as necessary. This list is considered the only approved and official list of authorized products for use in the garden. If you wish to use a product that is not listed as approved, you must contact the Garden Manager prior to use. The goal of the City of Kyle is to create a safe environment for the garden, gardeners and the community, not to limit the materials used.
- g. The City of Kyle maintains a fund to cover the purchase of organic products for plot use.
- h. The City of Kyle covers nematodes once a year for the Community Garden.
- i. The City of Kyle will provide a shelving unit within the tool shed for storage of organic items and a list of their uses.



GARDEN EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

Nov 1st Texas Arbor Day Tree Give-Away