

Garden History

The Lindström Community Garden began in 2014 with approval of the Lindstrom City Council to utilize city owned green space for a garden area. It is fully supported by volunteers, with donations from local businesses, local clergy, individuals and grants from SHIP (State Health Improvement Program), St Croix Medical, United Health Group and CenturyLink.

In 2019, a SHIP Grant allowed the creation of 12 raised garden beds and soil improvements for all the plots.

In 2021, donations from the Chisago County Master Gardeners and SHIP funded the construction of six additional raised garden beds.

Chisago County Master Gardeners provide financial support, share gardening advice and education.

Each Garden member is expected to donate time in supporting the garden.

A Master Gardener will be available on site during the growing season.



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Providing opportunity and education for community members to grow





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GARDEN REGISTRATION

Individuals interested in joining the Community Garden can pick up a registration form at Lindström City Hall or by downloading the form from www.cityoflindstrom.us (look for "Community Garden" under Resident Information).

The cost of one 144 square foot (12x12 or 10x14) plot is \$15. Multiple plots can be obtained (2 plots: \$30, 3 plots: \$45). The cost of a 4' x 8' raised bed is \$5.

Volunteering

The Community Garden is a volunteer cooperative. Each member is expected to volunteer time in a minimum of 2 areas:

- Site maintenance
- Community plot maintenance
- Garden improvements

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Rules, Terms and Conditions for Participation

Gardening is allowed between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. (No power tool use until after 8 a.m.)

Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot (weeding, harvesting & other garden related maintenance). Gardeners may arrange for others to water their plots.

Garden plots should be cared for at least once a week. Neglected plots may be reassigned. Plots not planted by June 15th may be reassigned (unless conditions or crops require otherwise).

Garden plots must be mulched to conserve water and reduce weeds by June 30th (this does not apply to container or raised bed gardens).

Some garden tools are available on site; however, gardeners should expect to provide their own hand tools.

All Gardeners are required to perform maintenance tasks associated with the garden space. (See registration form for task list).

Children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult, under close supervision for the safety of all.

You must remain at the plot while watering. (Do not leave the water running when you leave the area).

Gardeners may only harvest from their own plots.

Plots are assigned on a first come basis.

Gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material. If you have planted perennials, and you do not intend to rent the plot the next year, the plants must be removed from the plot prior to April 20th.

The use of non-organic herbicides (commercial weed killers, fungal killers etc.) and non-organic pesticides on garden plots is prohibited.

GROWING GRANTS

The Lindstrom Community Garden will provide \$30 Growing Grants to low income individuals.

Grant applications can be obtained at the Lindstrom City Hall and will be awarded on a first come basis.

The grant covers the cost of one garden plot and includes a gift certificate to Lindstrom Hardware for seeds and gardening tools.

