



TUOLUMNE COMMUNITY GARDEN

2019-2020

The garden bed application period is from ***January 1st to March 1st***. Community Garden Season is March 1st to April 1st. Attached, you will find a Garden Bed Application, the Policy Regarding Raised Garden Beds, and two copies of the Community Garden Rules. The use of the garden bed is from ***April 1st to March 31st***.

For the use of one garden bed, a fee of \$30.00 must be submitted, payable to TPRD, along with the Garden Bed Application properly filled out, and a signed copy of the Garden Rules. Mail to: Tuolumne Park and Recreation District, 18603 Pine Street Tuolumne, CA 95379. Refunds will only be made to those who are not awarded a space.

You will be notified which bed you are assigned by March 31st. If you would like an opportunity for a second bed, please note that on your application in the appropriate space. Second bed holders will be notified by April 15th. If you have any questions, please call the Tuolumne Park and Recreation office (209) 928-1214.

Again, please fill out and return the application and garden rules along with your fee of \$30 for one bed. Please keep the second copy of the Garden Rules for your future reference.



**TUOLUMNE COMMUNITY GARDEN
GARDEN BED APPLICATION
Sponsored by Tuolumne Park and Recreation District
Revised 2019**

Tuolumne Park and Recreation District (TPRD) has generously donated property on Cemetery Lane in Tuolumne, California for use as a Community Garden. Community Garden members pay for the use of a garden bed, water and membership in the Tuolumne Community Garden (TCG).

- 1.) Application period for the space is **January 1st to March 1st**; applications are available at the TPRD office at 18603 Pine Street, Tuolumne, CA 95379.
- 2.) April 1st garden beds will be assigned by March 31st.
- 3.) Applicants will have use of the bed for one year beginning **April 1ST** and ending the following year on **March 31st**.
- 4.) For the use of one garden bed, a fee of \$30.00 must be submitted, payable to TPRD, along with the application properly filled out, and a signed copy of the garden rules. Mail to: Tuolumne Park and Recreation District 18603 Pine Street, Tuolumne, CA 95379.
- 5.) Upon application for garden space, each gardener agrees to save, indemnify and hold harmless TPRD agents and employees and all garden organizers from all liability and claims for damages to himself/herself, family and friends, or to others caused by his/her own negligence or the negligence of his/her family and friends arising from or connected with the use, maintenance or operation of the Tuolumne Community Garden and activities held on this site and other sites maintained by garden members. All children in the garden must be accompanied by an adult.

Questions may be directed to the TPRD office at (209) 928-1214.

I hereby apply for a garden bed at the Tuolumne Community Garden. I have carefully read this agreement, waiver, and release and fully understand its contents, I am aware that this is a release of liability and a contract between the above district and myself and I sign it of my own free will. I further agree to abide by the garden rules as long as I continue to use my garden bed.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Mailing Address

Phone Number

Email Address

If you are a current garden bed holder, select your # 1 bed choice _____

If available, would you like a second bed? Yes _____ No _____ #2 bed choice _____

Second bed holders will be notified by April 15th.



TUOLUMNE COMMUNITY GARDEN POLICY REGARDING RAISED GARDEN BEDS REVISED 2019

The Tuolumne Community Garden has 26 raised garden beds. The Garden has been in existence since 1994. Each year, the garden beds become available to the general public. The Community Garden may advertise by placing flyers in key areas throughout the local community. There is an annual fee of \$30 to rent each garden bed. No bed can be gardened until all three of the following are received by TPRD: payment of the annual \$30 fee, the Application form filled out properly, and a signed copy of the Garden Rules. All bed holders automatically become a member of the Community Garden. The holder of each garden bed is responsible to maintain his/her bed. Maintenance includes weeding, planting, and watering the assigned bed. Holders of each bed can also amend the soil to fit the growing needs of their plants. Please read the attached Community Garden Rules for a more detailed list of rules to be followed.

Applications will be taken from **JANUARY 1st** to **MARCH 1st**. They are available at the Tuolumne Park and Recreation Department office at 18603 Pine Street, Tuolumne, CA 95379 or call TPRD (209) 928-1214. Current box holders who fill out garden bed applications for the coming year will be assigned their current bed. Among the applications for new box holders, if there are more applicants than beds available, a lottery will be held the first week of April to select bed holders.

Once your first bed is picked, and there are still some available, any bed holder may apply for a second box. If there are more applicants than beds available, a lottery will be held to select those who will get a second bed. Second beds will be assigned by May 7th.



TUOLUMNE COMMUNITY GARDEN RULES

Revised 2019

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- **BE CONSIDERATE OF YOUR NEIGHBORS.** Do not plant sprawling plants or tall crops that might interfere with other garden beds. Harvest only from your assigned bed unless you have permission to do so from other members.
- Each gardener is responsible for maintaining pathways adjacent to their beds.
- TPRD supplies the garden bed and water only. Soil amendments may be added at the gardener's own expense. Community tools are available ask the TPRD office.
- Please conserve water. The best times to water are early morning or evening. Mulching with chips, grass clippings or leaves reduces water evaporation.
- **BE SURE ALL WATER FAUCETS ARE TURNED OFF AFTER USE.** Notify the TPRD Office (209-928-1214) in the event of leaks or problems.
- Diseased, rotting, or overcrowded decaying vegetation poses a threat to all other plants. Please watch your plants and at the first sign of disease or infestation, treat plant or remove immediately.
- Weeds, weed seeds, and plants gone to seed in garden beds also have the potential to create problems in other garden beds. Each bed owner is responsible for keeping their garden bed free of problem plants. If you could use some help, please ask. Once you are notified to remove any problem plants out of your bed, you must clean them out within two weeks. At the end of the two week period, if the problem plants are not removed, they will be removed by the staff of the Community Garden.
- If you do not use or have not worked your bed during a two month period, it will be considered abandoned and may be reassigned.
- Put all weeds, plant residue, and organic wastes in the designated area only. Please take trash home with you or discard it in the trash can provided.
- **DO NOT WATER** another bed, even when dry. Water or work someone else's garden bed **ONLY** with their permission.
- Everyone is responsible for closing the gate regardless of the time of day.
- Our Community Garden strives to be organic. Please contact TPRD before using any chemical pesticides or insecticides.
- Children are welcome, but must be supervised at all times.
- Pets are prohibited (dogs and cats).
- Do not give your garden keys out to anyone unless previously authorized by TPRD. All guest should be accompanied by the Gardener Assigned the key.
- Please make every effort to follow all our garden rules. Following these rules will insure a successful and enjoyable experience for everyone. An extra copy of the rules are attached for your future reference.

Printed Name

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