

Richmond Community Gardener Registration Form

(Please fill out all entries, email address is required)

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Town _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Returning Participant _____ New Participant _____ Please check one

Agreement

I (we) have read the Richmond Community Garden Rules and agree to abide by these rules. I hereby release the Town of Richmond, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all damages and claims sustained by reason of the use of said property. I agree to prevent damage to the property and to indemnify and save harmless the Town of Richmond and its officers, agents and employees from all loss, cost, damages or expense to persons or property resulting in whole or in part from this Agreement or any act or omission in connection with myself/family/and children's use of the property hereunder.

Waiver for Participation

I hereby understand and acknowledge that there is some risk inherent in all recreational activities. I acknowledge that the Town of Richmond does not provide accident or medical insurance for program participants. I fully understand that I must provide proper medical insurance coverage for myself/family and/or my child. I give permission for a licensed physician or hospital staff to administer emergency medical care deemed necessary for person(s) registered for such program and/or event if parental/guardian permission is unavailable. I agree to hold the Town of Richmond, its employees, and officials harmless for any accident, and injury or other cause of action occurring while I and/or my child participates in a Community Garden program and/or event.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

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Richmond Community Garden Rules

Mission Statement

The Town of Richmond established a community garden to encourage sustainability by emphasizing the value of locally grown food, encourage good health and wellness, offer educational programs to participants, and provide food to the Honeoye Food Pantry as well as food insecure residents.

Priority on annual plot reservations will be given to Richmond Residents who are returning gardeners, then new Richmond Resident gardeners, followed by Canadice and Bristol Residents, and then any other available plots can be reserved by others outside of these communities.

Care for Individual Plots and Rules

To assure the overall success and appearance of the Richmond Community Garden, it is expected that gardeners will agree to the following guidelines:

- You may begin working in your plot on April 15th weather permitting. Cultivation and planting of individual plots should begin no later than June 10; plots that have not been cultivated by that date will be reassigned. Returning gardeners in good standing may have early access to the garden.
- Organic Gardening is requested.
- Gardeners are required to keep all pathways around their plot free of plant debris, trash, and tools.
- A compost pile for appropriate garden debris will be available onsite. The compost will be available for all gardeners.
- All other refuse generated by gardeners must be removed from the community garden site by gardener.
- Plots are limited to one (1) per household depending on inventory. You may share your own plot with another person.
- Gardeners should bring their own tools; tool storage may not be available.
- Water will be available along with a hose. Gardeners will use water responsibly and make sure hose is reeled up after use and water is off. Water hook-up at the beginning of the season is weather permitting and is not guaranteed before April 30th.
- Please be cognizant of the watering equipment. The Town will provide watering equipment up until the time said equipment is misused.

- A 6-foot poly/plastic anti-deer fencing has been installed to protect your crops.
- Small rabbit fence may be installed at your expense around the perimeter of your plot. Fence should have no sharp edges exposed to the aisle.
- Plots are defined by the 4' x 8' framework. They are designed to be raised bed gardens and will be filled with topsoil.
- If a gardener's plot is not maintained according to the guidelines, the gardener will be asked to correct the maintenance issue within three days. If corrective action is not taken, the plot will be reassigned to another gardener. In that event, the fee will not be refunded.
- To prepare the garden for winter, gardeners must clean their plot and clear all spent plant material by October 15. All returning gardeners must fill out a new registration and send payment to secure their plot for the following season.
- Gardeners should park in the parking area north of the community garden. Please do not block the roadway to the water building or the ball fields.

Care for the Community Garden

The efforts of the community of gardeners will assure the success of the garden as a whole. The following guidelines will help make this possible:

- No planting of illegal crops will be permitted.
- No alcohol or smoking is allowed on the premise.
- All gardeners will be treated with respect by their fellow gardeners. Participants will pick crops only from their own plots. Tall plants, trellises, netting, etc. shall not be permitted to shade neighboring plots.
- Children and families are encouraged. Gardeners must not leave children unattended and are responsible for their supervision. Gardeners are responsible for any visiting guests. Visitors must adhere to garden rules.
- Pets should not be brought into the garden and are not permitted. Service animals are permitted.
- Gardeners will inform the garden leader immediately by phone if there is any noticeable damage or change to the garden property. This includes the electric fence, houses, signs, parking lot, missing property, etc. This ensures the garden remains a pleasant and safe environment for everyone.

Gardeners that are interested in a small leadership role, please email Earth Care at earthcarehoneoye@gmail.com

The Richmond Community Garden hours are Sunrise to Sunset.

Those gardeners wishing to share their surplus produce should contact the Honeoye Food Pantry. Please contact Don Fox at honeoyefoodpantry@gmail.com

While it is expected that primarily vegetables and herbs will be planted, the growing of flowers is also permitted.

The fee for (1) 4' x 8' raised bed plot is \$25.00 for the growing season. Voluntary donations above the \$25 will go directly into the Town of Richmond Garden Fund. Checks for garden plots or donations to be made out to Town of Richmond. Plots will be limited to (1) per household depending on inventory.

FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY March 31:

Plot assignments will be made as available on a first-come first-served basis. Returning gardeners will be given garden plot preference. Any questions please contact Bill VanDusen (Garden Leader) at 585-727-6045 or email at earthcarehoneoye@gmail.com.

Please mail your completed registration with payment to:

Honeoye United Church of Christ
Attn: Richmond Garden Committee (Andrea McIntosh)
8758 Main Street PO Box 127
Honeoye, NY 14471

This is a Community Garden initially made possible by donations from the Honeoye Food Pantry and Community members.

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Town of Richmond
8690 Main Street PO Box 145
Honeoye, NY 14471
585-229-5757

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