

The Evert Community Garden

Growing A Healthy Community

Welcome to the Evert Community Garden

The Evert Community Garden is a community wide effort to enhance the health and wellbeing of our residents and our community through providing;

- Access to affordable flowers and vegetables
- A reduction in family food budgets
- An enjoyable outdoor recreation
- An avenue for social interaction
- Beatification to the downtown area
- A source of community pride

The success of our garden relies on the commitment and follow through of our gardeners. Please read this entire packet carefully before making a commitment to become a gardener this season.

Tip To Being A Successful Evert Community Gardener

- Plan to water maintain your garden at least 3 times a week
- Stay informed about the Evert Community Garden
- Make friends with the other gardeners
- Be proactive in helping other gardeners
- Become an expert. There are a ton of resources on the internet, at the library and at local garden centers that will help you know what to do to maximize your harvest.

Steps To Becoming An Evert Community Gardener And Dates To Remember!

- Pick up a packet from City Hall located at 200 South Main Street, Evert, MI 4963. [Click Here to print off packet](#)
- Read the Evert Community Garden Rules then complete and sign the application and waiver. Return to the Evert DDA, 127 North River Street, Evert MI 49631 by May 30, 2017 or email it to ddadirector@evart.org
- Maintain and harvest your garden throughout the season.
- Remove all plants by September 31, 2017.

If you are interested in becoming an Evert Community Gardener contact Al Weinberg at the DDA Office (231) 734-0185 or email at ddadirector@evart.org

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Garden Rules

Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden box. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots.

A hose is available in the community garden for use during growing season. Please coil the hose up after every use.

Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times. Please Be Careful Of The Road.

Each gardener must complete a liability waiver form before any work in the garden can begin.

Garden boxes should be cared for at least once a week. It is the gardener's responsibility to notify the coordinator if he or she is not able to care for their plot in any given week. If any plot remains unattended for more than three weeks that plot is subject to reassignment.

The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden plots is prohibited.

Assignment of garden plots will be awarded a first come first serve basis.

Gardeners may harvest vegetables and flowers from their garden only.

At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving the plot as they found it in the spring. Failure to do so may result in the loss of privileges for next year's garden.

The Evert DDA is responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed at all times. Failure to follow these rules may result in forfeiture of your garden box for the season and the future.

The Evert Community Garden Application

Name

Address

Telephone number:

Days

Evenings

Email address

Are you on Facebook?

Yes, If so please friend the Evert DDA

No

Box Letter Preference:

1.

2.

3.

4.

Check the appropriate items:

I am a senior citizen

I am physically disabled

This is my first year gardening

I will be gardening with my children as a learning opportunity

I would be interested in attending a free gardening workshop

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LIABILITY WAIVER

I, _____ have reviewed, understand, and agree to abide by the policies relative to the use of the Evert Community Garden and understand that use of the Community Garden may be denied if policies or rules are not followed.

I understand that gardening is a potentially hazardous activity and hereby agree to expressly assume and accept all risks associated with gardening and the use of the Evert Community Garden including, but not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, roads, soil conditions, temperature, physical exertion, insect/rodent exposure, chemical exposure and actions of other people.

I understand that my use of the Evert Community Garden is voluntary and I do so at my own risk. In consideration of being allowed to use the Evert Community Garden, I hereby agree on behalf of myself and my executor's, etc. to waive, release, and forever discharge The City of Evert, The Evert DDA, each of its officers, agents, employees, representatives, and all others from any and all responsibilities or liability for injuries (including death), damages or loss including claims or causes of action, including those caused by the negligent acts or omissions of any of those mentioned, resulting from my use of the Community Garden or in any activities connected with the Community Garden.

Signature

Date

Print Name