

Tinton Falls Community Gardens

at the Crawford House

750 Tinton Avenue, Tinton Falls, NJ

Mission Statement: Tinton Falls Community Gardens (TFCG) seeks to provide an opportunity for borough residents to grow healthful fresh produce for their own use while actively supporting the historic Crawford House. Produce from designated areas will be sold at a farm stand on the property, with the proceeds benefiting the Friends of the Crawford House. In so doing, the Garden reaffirms and celebrates the agricultural heritage of our community, and the role of the Crawford House as a focal point in our historic district.

2012 TINTON FALLS COMMUNITY GARDENS SEASON:

April 1, 2012 – November 15, 2012

Open daily 8am to dusk

MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES AND RULES:

1. I will have something planted in my plot by June 1 and will keep it planted all season long. Members will be notified when the soil is ready for planting.
2. If I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify the Garden leaders.
3. I will adequately and regularly water my own plot.
4. I will keep weeds down and maintain the areas immediately surrounding my plot.
5. I will ensure that my plot will be cared for in my temporary absence (example: vacation), and will notify the Garden Committee of my arrangements.
6. If my plot becomes unkempt, I understand I will be given 1 week's notice to clean it up. I further understand that failure to do so may result in forfeiture of my plot.
7. I will remove trash and litter from the plot as well as from adjacent pathways and fences.
8. I will be respectful of the personal space of other gardeners and help others if/when needed.
9. I will participate in the fall clean up of the Garden.
10. I will plant upright and sprawling crops in their separate designated areas.
11. I will pick only my own crops unless given permission by another plot user.
12. I agree to contribute volunteer hours toward community gardening efforts as needed, including one Saturday morning during the growing season to assist at the farm stand.
13. I will NOT bring pets to the garden. Any small children that accompany me will be supervised by an adult at all times.
14. I will NOT harm, interfere with, or remove tools from any other plots.
15. I will NOT consume alcoholic beverages on the Crawford House property.
16. I will NOT smoke anywhere on the Crawford House property.
17. I will clean and return all tools to their designated area after use.
18. I will turn off all water spigots after use, and coil all hoses neatly on the post provided. I will NOT drag hoses through someone else's garden plot.
19. I will sign in and out in the Garden log book each time I work in the Garden.
20. I will lock the garden each time I leave, and will NOT share the lock combination with non-Garden members. I will make sure that all garden gates are closed and securely in place when leaving the gardens.
21. I will use only OMRI (Organic Materials Review Institute) approved products for pest and weed control in my plot. A list of these products will be posted at the garden.
22. I will transfer all garden waste to designated compost bins/areas.

TFCG PROVIDES:

- ❖ An individual plot intended to grow produce to be harvested for the plot gardener. Plots are assigned annually on a first-come, first-served basis. If no plots are available, the Garden Committee will keep a waiting list and will notify interested parties as space becomes available.
- ❖ Common plots intended to grow produce to be harvested for sale at the farm stand.
- ❖ Water spigots and hoses at each corner of the garden.
- ❖ Protective fencing around the Community Garden.
- ❖ Compost bins and/or areas for disposal of garden waste.
- ❖ General soil preparation, garden layout and coordination prior to and throughout the garden season.
- ❖ Access to a Master Gardener for questions and suggestions during the garden season
- ❖ Communication updates as needed via email and posting on the bulletin board/mailbox in the Community Gardens.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Tinton Falls Community Gardens Chair: Denise Catalano

Email: TFCG@comcast.net

Phone: (732) 389-4582

Instructions:

Mail completed application form with \$20 non-refundable check or money order (no cash) made payable to "Tinton Falls Community Gardens" to:

Tinton Falls Community Garden s
c/o Denise Catalano
11 Alpine Trail
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712-7728

Once reviewed and approved by the TFCG Committee, participant will be notified of their plot number assignment. Original form will be held by the TFCG Committee. (Applications are processed and plots assigned annually on a first come, first served basis)

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Application Form - 2012 Season

Name (print)* _____

Address * _____

Phone Number * _____

Phone # (Cell) _____

Email Address * _____

* - Indicates required information. (Incomplete applications will not be processed.)

Experience level (circle one): **beginner** **intermediate** **advanced**

I, _____, agree to abide by all of the rules and regulations for the Tinton Falls Community Gardens as provided, and understand that failure to do so may result in forfeiture of my plot. I agree to hold harmless the Tinton Falls Community Gardens, the Friends of the Crawford House, and the Borough of Tinton Falls, their employees, officials, members and volunteers thereof with regard to any injury or accident that may occur as a result of the use of this facility by me or any of my guests.

Authorized
Signature _____

Date _____

(this portion for office use only)

Plot # Assigned _____

TFCG Committee Member _____

Amount Paid _____

Date Paid _____

Payment Type (Circle One) *Check* *Money Order*