



The Friends of the Farm at Hilltop, Inc
1616 Mapleton Avenue
PO Box 372
Suffield, CT 06078
www.hilltopfarmsuffield.org/Garden

COMMUNITY GARDEN APPLICATION

Please print & mail to: Attn.: **Community Garden**
FOFAH, Inc.
PO Box 372
Suffield, CT 06078

Name			
Address			
Town		State	zip
EMAIL			
Phone : home		Phone : cell	

The garden fees help to pay for fencing, insurance and water. They do not cover other expenses such as administrative costs, supplies, printing, and postage. Your additional contribution helps to defray additional expenses.

Thank you!

<u>GARDEN FEES</u>	<u>Number</u>	
Plot \$25	x _____	= \$ _____
Optional Tax		
Deductible Donation		\$ _____
Total		\$ _____

Checks payable to **FOFAH**

Please read these regulations and then sign the statement below.

I agree to follow the Rules of the Garden established by the Hilltop Farm Community Garden Program. I understand that if I do not follow these rules, I may lose my garden plot(s).

Signature _____ Date: _____



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Hilltop Farm Community Garden

Since 2002 FOFAH has been working with local farmers, state and federal agencies to prevent erosion, and improve and maintain the soils in the open space at Hilltop. The FOFAH board is delighted to be able to share the farmland with the local community, offering garden plots to individuals, groups, and families. Have fun and enjoy gardening at Hilltop Farm.

All about the Plots

The Hilltop Farm Community Garden is open to any area resident between school age and senior status, who completes an application and agrees to follow the rules.

- The Garden is located on eastern slope of the farm near the red small barns and outbuildings. Because the garden is on land leased from the Town of Suffield there are restrictions regarding our when we can be there, and our approach to enhancing the farm.
- Interested gardeners may make a donation of \$25 to FOFAH or donate a total of 5 volunteer hours for a plot for a season.
- Each plot will be assigned by a member of the Agricultural Committee on a first come, first served basis.
- Plots are about 18' x 25' and are in full sun.
- Water is somewhat available. It is rainwater collected in a tank. Water is a resource that may become rare and is to be shared. You may bring your own water in containers.
- All plots should be planted by mid-June. Unplanted plots may be assigned to someone else.

Policies and Regulations

- Plots should be available no later than mid-May and must be cleared by November 11. Access is available from dawn to dusk daily.
- Plots are to be used for growing plants for non-commercial use. Only annual planting are allowed.
- Plots are to be maintained in a condition which will not interfere with abutting plots.
- No herbicides are to be used. While we strongly encourage pure organic gardening techniques, you may use light commercial fertilizers. Remember: No herbicides or non-organic pesticides may be used at any time in the gardens.
- Organic gardening techniques and organic compounds may be used to control pests and weed and are encouraged.
- FOFAH and the Town of Suffield will be held harmless from any claim for damages or injury arising from the use of the Community Garden property.
- Gardens are open at Please keep your garden weed free and neat. This is not a show garden, but weeds harbor insect pests and plant diseases, as well as being unsightly. Dispose of weeds and rocks.

Applying for a Garden Plot

- Please use the application form to apply for one or more garden plots.
- You must fill in your name, e-mail address and/or phone number and agree to the Rules and Regulations.
- If all plots are taken, you will be put on a waiting list.

Have fun! Enjoy yourself! We're all in this to have fun as well to enjoy the fruits of our labors.