



## **Fountain Hills Community Garden (FHCG) Garden Bed Rental Agreement 2019**

Thank you for your interest in the Community Garden. Garden bed rentals run on a calendar year basis: January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019. One Friend of the Garden membership is included with each Garden Bed rental.

Garden Beds are 4'x10'; there are two different heights, 24" high and 12" high. The rental fees for 2019:

4'x10'x24" = \$200.00 annually

4'x10'x12" = \$100.00 annually

There is a \$25.00 discount for gardeners renting more than one garden bed

The Garden Bed rental includes (these items stay at the garden with the bed/please do not bring home):

- Organic soil
- Shade cloth
- 3 support hoops
- Irrigation timer and 1<sup>st</sup> battery
- Initial basic irrigation supplies
- Water

Items you will need:

- Multi use 5 gal Bucket: to sit on, collect harvest, carry tools, transport compost and cuttings
- Gardening gloves and hand tools (some are available to borrow)
- Floral shears
- Soil amendments

All garden bed rental members have access to: a small community herb garden, composting, coffee grounds for nitrogen, some tools, and seeds (some free at times/some for sale or donation), classes, socials, share basket, greenhouse and events.

The garden has a shed on site with tools that are available during work days and when a garden manager is present. The garden also has 3 waste bins: one for trash, one for recyclables and one for green waste. Also on site is an enclosed area where a bee hive is housed.

All garden bed members are expected to participate in at least two workdays annually. Bring your family, friends, coworkers, many hands make for light work!

Communication is essential to your success. Many of us are novices at gardening. We encourage you to ask questions, follow the group on Facebook, attend monthly social, read our monthly newsletter, and visit our website <https://www.ILoveountainHills.org>.

We have 3 garden managers: Rita Applegate 816.896.8507, Joy Hubbard 602.692.1183 and Mark Dalton 480.390.7255. Please call or text with questions or to request assistance. You must partner with one of the garden managers to review how the irrigation system works and for a list of soil amendments.

The FHCG Board is an all-volunteer board that operates under The Fountain Hills Cultural & Civic Association. The FHCCA is a 501©organization. He FHCG Board is the governing authority and the Garden members are subject to their by-laws and terms.

We hope you enjoy the many benefits of the FHCG including free classes, social hours, sharing successes, growing healthy and nutritious food.

## Responsibilities of a Garden Bed Renter

- Gardeners are responsible for their own seeds, plants, plant supports, soil amendments, frost cloth and tools.
- Gardeners will use only organic products. No pesticides or toxic materials are to be used.
- The use of power tools at the garden is not permitted.
- Please do not store your tools or personal items at the garden.
- Please keep your garden bed and surrounding areas clean and neat. Be respectful of your neighbor.
- It is important to water your garden bed according to the directions provided by our Garden Managers.
- Gardeners are welcome to add small flags, solar lights, and spin dials.
- Plants are to be contained within the bed. Please be sure all décor, bird netting, etc. do not become a hazard or creep into your neighbors bed or walkway.
- If you have other people gardening with you, please be sure they sign up as A Friend of the Garden and pay the \$10.00 membership fee.
- If pests are noted on your plants you will take immediate action to remedy the problem.
- If you need assistance or have questions you will ask. We can't assist if we don't know what you need. We want all gardeners to succeed.
- Check Facebook regularly, read monthly newsletter to keep informed of garden topics.
- Gardeners are NOT to share their gate code or leave the gate open.

## Additional Information

There are no refunds. Payment is made to FH Cultural and Civic Association.

Garden beds are first offered to gardeners currently renting at the garden. Any remaining garden beds will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Once all of the garden bed rentals are paid for, we will start a waiting list.

You are welcome to bring in guests to the garden and give them a tour. Please be sure they remain under your supervision at all times and that they do not touch or take items from other garden beds.

Garden Managers will address rules broken at the garden. They will provide a verbal notification and provide the appropriate amount of time to correct the issue. Additional steps may be taken such as written notice(s) depending upon the severity. A final written notification will be sent indicating you have forfeited your gardening privileges and garden bed.

There is no smoking, drinking of alcoholic beverages, use of illegal drugs, gambling or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs in the garden. Weapons, pets or other animals are not allowed (except service animals).

**Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Claims:** I forfeit my right to sue the owner of the property, the FHCG and the FHCCA. I understand that neither the garden group nor owners of the land are responsible for my actions. I understand that participating in the Garden has a risk of death or injury to myself or my guest and damage to my personal property. These risks could be caused by me or other gardeners. The risks could also come from the condition of the land where the Garden is located, or the equipment and tools available at the garden, or the weather or other environmental or local conditions. Therefore, I agree to hold harmless the Garden group, the FHCCA and the owners of the land for any liability, damage, loss, suit, cost or claim that occurs directly or indirectly resulting from, or arising out of connection with the use of the Garden by me or any of my guests.

**Medical Care Waiver:** You give up any right to sue or otherwise attempt to collect money arising out of any first aid, treatment, or medical service. You understand that you are not covered by or eligible for any insurance, health care, workers' compensation, or any other benefits.

Members are requested to contact Susan Dempster regarding any grievance relating to any garden matter or person.

**Garden Bed Rental and Membership Form** Please Print

Gardener: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$200 Annual fee for 4'x10'x24" Garden Bed. Each garden bed rental includes one Membership.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Annual fee for 4'x10'x12" Garden Bed. Each garden bed rental includes one Membership.

\_\_\_\_\_ A discount of \$25 is available when renting multiple garden beds.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a returning gardener and would like to renew. My garden bed number(s) are: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am paying for additional Friends of the Garden Memberships (\$10.00 each, annually)

**Payment Options** \_\_\_\_\_ **PayPal:** Through FHCCA website: [www.ILoveFountainHills.org](http://www.ILoveFountainHills.org) Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Check:** Mail check with this Membership form. Make check payable to FHCCA. Date check mailed \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: **Fountain Hills Cultural and Civic Association/FHCCA**  
**PO Box 18254 Fountain Hills, AZ 85268**

If you are a new gardener, would you like an experienced gardener to help you? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If you are an experienced gardener, would you like to help a new gardener? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

We welcome your help to grow and sustain the garden. Please check all your volunteer interests:

___ Phone calls	___ Composting	___ Letters to the Editor	___ Data Entry
___ Bed Tender	___ Kids Group	___ Socials and Events	___ Planting/Harvesting

Please be sure to complete this form and retain the Agreement (pages 1 and 2 for your reference). This Membership form must be returned to us in order to receive access to the garden. You may mail to our PO Box, scan (no pictures) and email to [susandempster@cox.net](mailto:susandempster@cox.net) or leave in envelope in garden bench for Susan Dempster. Thank you.

My signature indicates that I have read and understood the Membership Agreement. I agree to abide by its terms and conditions.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

My Garden Partners. Please list the names of the additional gardeners that will be sharing the garden bed. These individuals are required to pay the Friend of the Garden fee of \$10.00 annually and complete and sign a membership form. Children 12 and younger are free however, they are to be supervised by an adult at all times. Please list their names below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For office use: \_\_\_\_\_ Bed# \_\_\_\_\_ Badge \_\_\_\_\_ Gate Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email List \_\_\_\_\_ Payment info \_\_\_\_\_