

Tinton Falls Community Gardens

TFCG-1: 750 Tinton Ave (behind Crawford House)

TFCG-2: 52 Water Street (near Tinton Ave)

The Tinton Falls Community Gardens (TFCG) seek to provide an opportunity for residents to grow healthful fresh produce for their own use or donations.

2021 SEASON: April 1 – November 14

Open daily 8am to dusk

MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES AND RULES:

1. I will plant only in my assigned plot and ensure my plants do not overgrow and extend into the aisles. I will regularly remove weeds from my plot and surrounding walkways .
2. I will not plant invasive species of plants or those with spreading runners. (A few examples are bamboo, mint, Jerusalem Artichoke, etc.)
3. Plants and plant structures should *not* shade a neighboring garden. Be aware of the sun's daily cycle when deciding what and where to put your plants.
4. If my plot and surrounding walkways become unkempt, I understand I will be given 1 week's notice to clean it up; failure to do so may result in forfeiture of my plot. I will ensure my plot is cared for in my temporary absence (example: vacation) and will notify the TFCG Chairperson of my arrangements.
5. I am responsible for watering my own plot. *I will not leave a hose running unattended.* I will *turn off all water spigots after use* and coil all hoses neatly on the posts provided. I will not drag hoses through someone else's garden plot.
6. I will pick *only my own crops* (unless given permission by another plot's owner). I will be respectful of the personal space of other gardeners and will not harm, interfere with, or remove tools and other items from other gardener's plots.
7. I will make sure that all garden gates are *closed and securely in place* while working in the gardens and when I leave. I will make sure no one is in the garden before I lock the gate.
8. I will clean and return all TFCG tools to their designated area after use. I will transfer all garden waste to designated compost bins/areas.
9. I will remove trash from my plot and adjacent pathways and fences. At the end of the season and the closing of my plot, I will remove all plant material (including weeds) and bring the plot back to its original state.
10. I will participate in TFCG "work days" that are scheduled. (Ex: Spring/Fall cleanup/mulching of gardens.)
11. I will NOT bring pets to the garden. Any children that accompany me must always be supervised by an adult . Visitors within the garden areas must always be escorted by a TFCG member .
12. I will only use certified organic products in my plot. (OMRI products are preferred. www.omri.org)
13. I will NOT consume alcoholic beverages or smoke on the Community Garden property.
14. If I must abandon my plot for any reason, I will notify the Garden leader.
15. I will NOT share lock combinations or keys with anyone, including fellow gardeners. (Members should reach out directly to the TFCG Chairperson if access information or a key is needed.)

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TFCG PROVIDES:

- ❖ Water spigots and hoses at designated locations inside 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
- ❖ Periodic communication updates via email.

Tinton Falls Community Gardens Chairperson: *Sandy Gould* (Email: tfcommunitygardens.info@gmail.com)

Instructions:

Mail completed application form (attached) and a non-refundable check or money order (no cash) made payable to **“TFCG”** (or **“Tinton Falls Community Gardens”**) to:

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

Please designate on your application which plot size you're requesting and enclose it with corresponding fee as directed above.

All plots are 4' wide; lengths vary as indicated below:

Tinton Ave garden (TFCG-1):

Small: 10', 11', or 13' long (\$20 per plot)
 Large: 20', or 23' long (\$25 per plot)

Water Street garden (TFCG-2):

Large: 16' long (\$25 per plot)

Once reviewed and approved by the TFCG Committee, participant will be notified of their plot number assignment(s). Original form will be held by the TFCG Committee.

Additional Notes:

- Members are assigned individual plots to grow and harvest their produce. They decide if they want to consume it themselves or share it with other people or organizations.
- The number of plots per gardener may be limited depending on demand. All participants must be 18 years or older to have a plot at the Tinton Falls Community Gardens.
- 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.
- If the plot size or location you requested is not available, we will contact you to discuss other options. Most new gardeners will likely be assigned to the Water Street garden.
- **Returning Gardeners:** You must specify *on your application* if you want the same plots as the prior year. Failure to do so may result in assignment of the plots to another gardener.

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Application Form - 2021 Season

< Please print clearly >

Name * _____

Address * _____ City *: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number * _____

Phone # (Cell) _____

Email Address * _____

* - Required information. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

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

Garden Location/Size – Preference(s):

➤ **Tinton Ave. garden (TFCG-1):**

Small (10', 11', or 13' long): \$20 per plotQuantity: _____

Large (20', or 23' long): \$25 per plot.....Quantity: _____

➤ **Water St. garden (TFCG-2):**

Large (16' long): \$25 per plot.....Quantity: _____

Returning Gardeners: Do you want the same plots as the prior year? (circle one) **Yes** **No**

I, _____, have read the attached and agree to abide by all 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 TFCG leadership team, 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. I certify that I am at least 18 years of age or older.

Participant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

(This portion for internal TFCG use only)

Application Received (date): _____ Amount Paid _____ Check #: _____

Location/Plot(s) Assigned: Tinton Ave/TFCG-1 _____ Water St/TFCG-2 _____