

Adelphi Acre Community Garden - Member Agreement*

January _____ - December _____



Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Address (+zip code): _____ Assigned Plot #: _____

I, _____ agree to follow the summary guidelines* below and I understand that this is required in order for me to be a participating gardener at Adelphi Acre Community Garden [AACG].

PLOT MAINTENANCE: I accept full responsibility for the maintenance of my individual garden plot, and I will personally control and remove weeds and invasive grass within 2' of my garden plot. I will harvest produce in a timely manner. If damaging insects or blights are discovered, they MUST be reported to the Plot Coordinator immediately. If infestations pose a threat plants may need to be removed or destroyed.

I will remain on the premises while my garden is being watered and follow the AACG water conservation policy. I will not use chemical herbicides, pesticides, fungicides, or synthetic fertilizers on my garden or anywhere on the site. Violation of this rule is grounds for immediate plot forfeiture. Products labeled "organic" are permitted for use.

I will notify the garden plot coordinator at plotcoordinator@adelphiacre.org if I cannot care for my plot. During periods of absence from my garden, I will make arrangements to have my plot watered and maintained. I understand that I will be notified if my plot appears neglected or abandoned, and if the situation is not corrected, I may be required to forfeit my plot. If I do not respond to emails and phone calls regarding inactivity at my plot, it will be considered forfeited and may be allotted to another gardener.

A garden left neglected/unattended (un-watered, overrun by weeds, or unharvested produce) for more than two weeks without prior notice or arrangements is considered abandoned and notice will be sent to the member to correct the issue. Members who fail to bring their plot back into compliance will have their plot forfeited.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: I accept shared responsibility for maintenance of the common areas, furnishings, equipment, and tool shed. I will contribute two hours of community service per month via one or more of the available Stewardship Teams. Failure to complete my service will result in fines levied at \$10 per first hour missed. I will document my work hours each month via the online Report Hours Portal - www.adelphiacre.org/resources/report-hours. Plot and area maintenance DOES NOT COUNT towards the required two hour monthly community service.

All Gardeners are required to join AACG Rallyhood, a web and mobile app that provides the garden a way to communicate, coordinate and share information between members. Gardeners are required to attend two mandatory workdays per year, dates to be determined annually.

FEES etc: I will submit a rental payment of \$ _____ for a _____ sized plot for the _____ garden year, and to pay annual rental payments in the amount set by the Gardeners Meeting in October/November of each year as long as I remain a gardener. I understand that this payment is not refundable if I leave before the end of the season.

I will notify the Garden Leadership upon voluntary termination of my contract and clear my plot of all dead plants, weeds, trash, tools, sticks, and/or cages.

This contract must be renewed each October and include payment of my yearly plot fee, unless otherwise elected by either me or the Garden Leadership.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the foregoing summary agreement and by-laws and voluntarily execute this with full knowledge of its content and intending to be legally bound.

Further, I have read and signed the Sponsored Garden Participant & Volunteer Liability Release (Sustainable Food Center) and the Neighborhood Participation Program Liability Waiver and Release Form (City of Austin).

Signature of Primary Gardener

Printed Name

Date

The following people are authorized to tend my plot, and I accept it is my responsibility to ensure that they abide by all the rules, and have signed and submitted both required waivers (list names):

Administrative Information (to be filled out by Garden Liaison)

Plot Number: _____ Payment date: _____ Check/Cash: _____ Amount: _____

*This member agreement serves as a summary of the extended member agreement located on the aacg website @ <http://www.adelphiacre.org/resources/aacg-documents/official/> (will be added in 2019)