



The Clarkeville Greenway Community Organic Garden 2018

Thank you for your interest and welcome to Habersham County's first public organic community garden! This project is a collaborative of the Soque River Watershed Association (SRWA), the Clarkeville Greenways Inc., and the City of Clarkeville. The SRWA is the principal organizer of this project and if you have questions after reading this please contact us at 706-754-9382 or srwa@windstream.net.

The Garden site occupies about one quarter acre of land that sits in the middle of Phase I of the Clarkeville Greenway Trail. The Garden may be found by walking or driving to the Old Clarkeville Mill located on Old Hwy 441, and then walking the Greenway Trail to the loop. The Garden is enclosed with a solar powered electric fence to repel deer, so please use caution (if touched it'll give you a shock!).

Community gardens are places where participants gather to enjoy gardening and to learn about sustainable production methods. Participation in the Garden is open to both individuals and groups. Churches, school groups, and other organizations may sign up for a plot through one designated member of their organization. Participants should be residents of Habersham County. If a non-resident of the County would like to participate, please contact us as exceptions may be possible depending on plot availability. The Garden provides basic tools, water, and tilling. Organic soil amendments and cover crop seed are provided as dues allow. An electric fence to discourage deer and a lower fence to discourage rabbits are in place. All participating Community Gardeners share in the maintenance of the fence lines and other common areas throughout the year.

Acknowledgement and Agreement for Community Garden Participants 2018

By signing the application on the following page, I agree to and will abide by The Greenway Community Organic Garden Rules, Terms, and Conditions for Participation:

- 1) To follow organic and sustainable gardening practices. This excludes the use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides. This excludes the use of seeds, seedlings, or mulch that have not been organically produced.
- 2) To maintain my plot regularly so that it contributes positively to the Garden, Garden neighbors, and the community. Plot maintenance includes, but may not be limited to:
 - ~ Keeping my plants within plot boundaries.
 - ~ Keeping my plot clean, neat, and weeded. (If I'm going on vacation or am unable to tend my plot due to illness, I'll let Garden members know so that they can lend a hand!)
 - ~ Keeping string, stone(s), wood, and metal within the plot boundaries. We appreciate the City of Clarkesville mowing the Garden and understand that all grassy areas must be kept free of debris that might damage mowers or impede efficient mowing.
 - ~ Putting up the shared tools and resources of the Garden after I've used them.
 - ~ Picking only my own crops unless given permission by another plot user.
Picking only my appropriate share from the common plants, such as the blueberries.
 - ~ Accompanying and supervising at all times my own children and any Guests that I invite to the Garden. I am responsible for their behavior while they are visiting the Garden.
 - ~ Keeping dogs, even on leash, and other pets out of the fenced Garden area.
 - ~ Abiding by the rules for parking vehicles at the Garden site.
All parking is at the Old Clarkesville Mill. No vehicles may be driven on or parked on the grass. If there are large items to unload, the access road just behind the Garden on the greenhouse side may be used only long enough to unload. If I'm working in the Garden after unloading, then I will move my vehicle back to the Old Clarkesville Mill parking lot.
- 3) To commit to sharing in the maintenance of the Garden's common areas. This commitment is necessary for a Community Garden to thrive. Proper maintenance involves group efforts on scheduled workdays, in addition to volunteering as individual time allows while in the garden.

Thank you!

