



## Moreland Hills Community Garden

3800 Chagrin River Road

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

There is no fee to use the garden. A total of ten 8' x 16' plots are available on a first come-first serve basis with a maximum of one (1) plot per household. You must register with Village Hall to receive your plot assignment and sign the consent form before planting can begin.

The garden depends on its gardeners to keep plots, paths and community areas productive and looking attractive to their fellow gardeners, the general public and those who visit Forest Ridge. At any point, a gardener may reach out to the Village with any issues by emailing us at [Villagehall@morelandhills.com](mailto:Villagehall@morelandhills.com).

### Each gardener's commitment to the following items is especially important:

- Tending to his or her plot weekly, if not daily;
- Keeping paths clear, and keeping all plants and compost within the plot;
- Being courteous to other gardeners and cooperative in spirit;
- Using only organic gardening techniques and products;

### GENERAL GARDEN GUIDELINES:

1. Assignment of garden plots will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis.
2. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of his/her garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden-related maintenance shall be the responsibility of the gardener. For periods of absence (vacation) a gardener may permit an additional friend or family member to assist with these responsibilities.
3. Gardens and pathways must be maintained on a consistent basis. Gardeners may not accumulate excessive trash or build unsightly structures in garden plots. Gardeners who have weedy, untended or debris-filled plots will be asked to clean up their plot or pathway.
4. ***Organic gardening is required and expected. The application of chemical-based herbicides, insecticides or fertilizers is strictly prohibited. Use of these materials will be cause for the termination of privileges for the gardener who violates this rule.***
5. Planting cannot be started before the third week in May. If your garden is not started in a timely manner, your plot may be reassigned to the next individual on the waiting list.
6. Gardeners may harvest vegetables and flowers from their own plot only, unless given specific permission from the owner of another plot.
7. At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving the plot as they were found in the spring. Deadline for cleanup is October 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.
8. Water within your plot and do not let it flood another garden plot or path. Use as much water as you need to help your garden flourish but please do not waste it. Gardeners must stay at the garden while watering. The Village will supply a water source but does not guarantee constant availability.
9. Children are welcome and encouraged to participate in the garden, but they must be accompanied by an adult and be supervised at all times.
10. Pets are not permitted within the garden.
11. Noncompliance with garden guidelines may result in loss of gardening rights.
12. The garden will be open to the public from 7:00am to 9:00pm.
13. There shall be no smoking or use of tobacco products in the garden area.

**Thank you for your cooperation and support.**