



South Coast Community Garden Association

"Growing Together Through Community Gardening"

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LADY BUG LANDING

8th & Anderson, Coos Bay

Assigned Plot # _____

***** PLEASE KEEP THIS COPY for YOUR INFORMATION *****

MEMBERSHIP: Anyone may become a member of SCCGA by filling out a "Membership Application" and paying **\$10 annual membership dues per person**. The membership dues contribute to the support of the organization to create gardens on the South Coast.

GARDEN PLOTS: Members may apply to use a garden plot by filling out a "Garden Plot Application" and **paying an additional \$15 application fee in addition to the annual membership dues** (some waivers are available). This fee is used for garden maintenance and is applied toward the cost of utilities and garden supplements.

Garden plots are assigned annually according to SCCGA policy, on a **first come, first served** basis. If all the plots are assigned, you will be placed on a waiting list. To ensure use by as many community members as possible, **1 plot will be assigned per household, family, business or organization.**

Our commitment is to make everyone's experience a positive one, with respect for fellow gardeners and visitors, respect for the shared garden property, and respect for the organically gardened plots. Gardeners are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that gives everyone the best opportunity to enjoy the gardening experience. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your **Garden Coordinator***.

GUIDELINES & RULES for Members Using a Community Garden Plot

- Attend an Orientation Session is for new gardeners **before gardening**.
- Educational and gardening events will be posted in the garden.
- If your plot has not been worked or planted by **May 15**, it will be considered abandoned and reassigned to another person. If you receive your plot after this date you will have 2 weeks to work and plant your plot, before it is considered abandoned.
- Your garden plot must be cleaned out and mulched no later than **December 1**.
- Pesticides and herbicides are not permitted in this garden. Consult with your **Garden Coordinator*** if you are having any insect or plant disease problems.

- Use compost and other soil amendments provided by the SCCGA.
- Plant only for your own home use, *not for resale*.
- Please keep your **garden picked & weeded**. Extra produce may be donated to the food bank or shared with gardeners.
- **Weed regularly**. Dispose of weeds and large stems in pile by the shed and other organic matter in the compost bins.
- Plants that are going to seed will be removed by your garden coordinator with one warning.
- Keep your garden within your assigned plot.
- Water only your own garden plot.
- **Do not pick** from another garden plot even if it looks abandoned.
- Do not plant invasive plants (such as Mint).
- CLEAN and RETURN all SCCGA gardening tools and hoses to the tool shed after each use.
- Remove your trash or other garbage from the garden and dispose of at your HOME.
- Children must be supervised by an adult.
- NO smoking in the garden.
- NO alcoholic beverages are allowed.
- NO pets are permitted in the garden.
- Garden only during daylight hours.
- Keep the public pathways free of hoses, tools & debris.
- Keep glass out of the garden.
- No offensive conduct or language towards public, garden coordinators or SCCGA board members.
- No conduct jeopardizing any SCCGA equipment, programs or facilities.

If members do not abide by these standards of conduct, SCCGA retains the right at its sole discretion [1] to cancel the plot usage, effective immediately, and reassign the plot, and [2] to cancel the membership, also effective immediately.

***Lady Bug Landing Garden Coordinator**
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