



Community Gardens of Tucson, Inc.

Building Community Through Gardening

Highland Vista Checklist

Garden

- Plot size 3 ft x 20 ft – The long dimension is the north south dimension. You can use the graph paper to layout your garden.
- The rows are numbered from north to south and the plots are numbered from east to west. Row #1 is the most northern row and #2 is the most southern row. Plots 1N and 2N are the most eastern plots. Plots 9N and 9S are the most western plots. There are two stakes that mark the centerline of each plot.
- Garden hours – The garden is available for your use during daylight hours only. Please use common sense and not make loud noises too early or too late and be considerate of the neighbors. Using the garden when it is dark can be hazardous to you and may frighten the neighbors.
- Please do not use loud machinery (tillers, chippers, etc.) too early or too late.
- Garbage – Please take all garbage home with you. Please do not put garbage in the compost bins.
- Address – Highland Vista Park, 7th Street and Cloverland.
- There are several extra stakes pounded in around the property. Please don't touch them. These stakes are the stakes we used to lay out the entire garden area. They are reference stakes. Should the plot stakes get messed up, we can use the reference stakes to get the plot stakes fixed.
- Parking – Please park in the paved parking lot.
- Storage shed – You are free to use anything in the shed. Please help keep it organized.
- Hose location and storage – The hose bibs are handle-less and the hoses are stored inside the shed to try to reduce vandalism. To water by hand you will need to get a hose and a handle out of the shed. Be sure to put them back in the shed when you are done.

Irrigation

- Irrigation times – In order to detect irrigation problems, you need to know when the system will be on. The northern row comes on at 9:00AM and 4:00PM. The southern row comes following the northern row. In the winter, each row is watered 20 minutes in the morning only. In the summer, each row is watered for 30 minutes, morning and evening. The schedule is subject to change.
- Irrigation leaks – After you spend a little time in the garden, you will be shown how to repair leaks in your T-tape. You will also need how to turn off the water in case of emergency.



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Contacts

- Contact information – Your packet contains the phone numbers for all of your fellow gardeners. The contact list is provided to you so that you may contact your fellow gardeners with questions about their plants and plots, discuss garden related issues or inform a plot user of a problem with their plot. In addition to your fellow gardener's contact information, listed is the contact information for the administrator, the site coordinator and the person responsible for major water repairs, the water meister. When there is a water leak that you can't fix, you are requested to first contact the site coordinator. If you are unable to reach him/her, please call the water meister.

Compost

- Compost bins and composting – There are several compost bins in the garden. Materials will compost faster if they are chopped, chipped or shredded prior to going in to the bins.

Meeting

- Monthly meetings – We meet on the 1st Sunday of every month at 8AM in the summer and 9AM in the winter, November – March. The meeting is very informal not like a business meeting. The purpose of the meetings is to learn something new and to maintain the common areas and talk to your fellow gardeners and master gardeners. The monthly meeting is a time to share stories, swap seeds and plants and harvests. It's also an opportunity to sit round the table and enjoy pot-luck food. There's a "Garden Walk" too, to praise and suggest and admire successes.