

# COUNTRYSIDE COMMUNITY

## GARDEN PROGRAM – 2023 Season

6050 S. KENSINGTON AVE  
(NWC OF KENSINGTON AND 61<sup>ST</sup> STREET)



Open Registration: **March 20<sup>th</sup>**

10' x 10' Garden Plots are Available **May 1<sup>st</sup>** weather permitting

### **Conditions & Terms:**

Open to City of Countryside Residents.

Call (708) 485-4775 for more details and registration materials.

Register at City Hall, 803 Joliet Road – Community Development Department

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## **Rules and Regulations: Season**

1. The garden bed fee is \$35.00 per year; \$20.00 may be refunded back after the season if the garden bed is in an approved condition as determined by the Public Works Department. You will receive a check in the amount of \$20.00 if your garden bed is in approved condition. Checks will be mailed during the month of November.
2. Make the check payable to the City of Countryside, cash and credit cards will not be accepted. Payments may either be mailed to the City or dropped off at City Hall. Please address your envelope to The City of Countryside, attention: Community Garden, 803 Joliet Road, 60525.
3. The garden bed fee and attached signed *Hold Harmless* agreement is required to be submitted concurrently. Failure to sign and return the agreement will not allow the applicant to partake in the Countryside Community Garden.
4. Garden bed sizes are 10' x 10' (100 sq. ft.), dimensions are approximate.
5. A maximum of two garden beds may be issued to a Countryside resident per their address depending on availability. At no time may more than two garden beds may be issued to a resident at their address.
6. Returning Gardeners may use the same location as they had the previous year. Remaining garden locations are assigned by a first come, first served basis. If you decide to submit your hold harmless agreement and check via US Mail your garden bed will be assigned by the postmarked date on the envelope. If you decide to pay in person at City Hall, please call Richard Trent at (708) 485-4775 to arrange a time in which you can pick your own garden bed.
7. If you decide to pay by mail, Richard Trent will inform you of your garden bed.
8. Community garden participants may start utilizing the property on the first Saturday in May.
9. Man-made materials: cages, stakes, fences, etc. must be removed by November 1st. You are not permitted to extend your garden beyond your assigned bed boundaries. Any planting done in this manner will be removed.



10. The Countryside Community Garden is an organically managed property. Only OMRI (Organic Review Institute ([www.omri.org](http://www.omri.org))) listed insecticides and fungicides may be used. No herbicides are permitted. Organic home-made remedies also allowed.
11. Only biodegradable mulches are to be used (i.e. no black plastic).
12. All pathways are to be kept clear for mowers. Please do not put rocks, weed clumps, corn stalks, tools, chairs or structures on mowed pathways.
13. All garden debris is to be deposited in the areas provided. There is no trash service provided at the facility – this is a carry-in/carry-out facility.
14. Dogs are not permitted within the Countryside Community Garden.
15. Do not borrow privately owned tools without the owner's permission.
16. Perennial plants are not advised; there is no assurance having the same bed annually.
17. The Countryside Community Garden is located at 6050 South Kensington Avenue.
18. Gardens left unattended are subject to non-renewal. If you reserve a plot then are unable to garden, please notify Richard Trent at (708) 485-4775 so your unused plot can be reassigned.
19. Smoking and alcoholic beverages are **PROHIBITED** within the Countryside Community Garden.
20. Garden bed fees are non-refundable.
21. All children must be supervised at all times.
22. Participants that fail to return their water keys are subject to **non-renewal** and **forfeiture** of the \$20.00 key deposit (included in the registrations fee).



## Countryside Community Garden

### Hold Harmless Agreement – 2023 Season

I understand that the City of Countryside, Illinois is not responsible for my actions at the Community Garden located at 6050 South Kensington Avenue.

**I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY OF COUNTRYSIDE, ILLINOIS FOR ANY LIABILITY, DAMAGE, INJURY, LOSS OR CLAIM THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE COMMUNITY GARDEN AT 6050 SOUTH KENSINGTON, AVENUE BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.**

Please complete the information below in its entirety.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Plot #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Return completed form to the City of Countryside at the time of payment)

# PLAT MAP

