

Hello Gardeners,

We are planning for the 2017 Terwillegar Community Garden season & there are a few **IMPORTANT CHANGES to note: (1) a decrease in the allocated number of plots (2) an increase in the plot fee.**

As we updated you last garden season, our future plans were to redesign the garden space. However, at this time we have received word from the City of Edmonton that our redevelopment will need to be put on hold until a draft plan for the remainder of the green space where the garden is located is developed by the Terwillegar Community League. As such, the Community Garden will operate in its current model for the 2017 gardening season.

This brings us to plot rentals for 2017. Last fall you were asked to make note of your plot number, and let us know if you would like to keep this plot for next year. I am attaching a spreadsheet that indicates the assignments from last summer. Our wait list is large & continues to grow everyday. In order to accommodate as many gardeners as possible and expand our membership base, we will only be **ALLOCATING A MAXIMUM OF 2 PLOTS** to returning gardeners. Also to help offset increased operating costs, we have increased the yearly non-refundable garden plot fee to **\$25 per plot. All previous requirements still apply.**

****** Please forward your intent to either reserve your existing plot/plots OR give up your spot for the 2017 season no later than Wednesday March 29, 2017. If we don't hear back from you prior to this date, we will assume you no longer want a garden plot & your previous plot will be made available to potential gardeners. ******

SPRING GARDEN REGISTRATION EVENT:

This year we will be offering 2 dates to complete your registration - **April 8 (Sat) & April 22 (Sat) from 1-3:00 pm (please see below for location & directions).** All required paperwork along with your current Community League membership number & plot fees will need to be submitted during these times as we are unable to make special exceptions or arrangements for submission. ***If you are unable to complete your registration by April 22, the plots previously assigned to you will be made available to someone on our wait list.***

Date: Saturday April 8 & 22, 2017

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Location: Holy Trinity Chinese Anglican Church (Same location as last year)
1428 156 St
(NOTE – THIS IS NOT LOCATED NEXT TO THE GARDEN)

Directions: <https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Holy+Trinity+Chinese+Anglican+Parish/@53.4434396,-113.5910928,15z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x0:0x1187703571d4b652!8m2!3d53.4434396!4d-113.5910928>

Plot fees will be \$25 each (non-refundable). Only CASH payments will be accepted.

Please bring: Signed membership contract, application form, Community League membership card or number, and cash for payments. You can buy your Terwillegar Community League membership at <http://www.terwillegar.org/membership>

Attached you will find copies of all required forms – ***PLEASE PRINT YOUR OWN COPY as only a limited amount will be available at the registration.***

Please read through the contract details & power point information as some new rules & guidelines have been put in place.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The garden committee is in need of more people to plan events and manage some of the maintenance required to keep our community garden running. **The continued operation and success of the garden is dependent on whether there are enough volunteers in place.** Some of the volunteer positions include helping fill the water tanks, general maintenance of the garden area and assisting with garden redevelopment once plans have been made.

Thank you-
Terwillegar Community Garden