



Sophia Street Community Garden

Corner of Sophia and Michael Street, Manistee, MI

Plot Rental Application

Raised-bed garden plots at the Sophia Street Garden are available to individuals or to organizations for their clients and members. One plot or multiple plots can be rented for \$25 each annually. The plots are 4' x 6' and are filled with a mixture of compost and aged goat manure. Gardeners will have access to on-site water and horticultural support.

Applications will be accepted until all plots are reserved. Make checks or money orders payable to Manistee Community Kitchen with "Sophia Garden" as the memo. Please complete and return the following worksheet with your payment to:

Manistee Community Kitchen
P.O. Box 993
Manistee, MI 49660

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Preferred Plot Number(s), if any: _____

!!!! New This Year !!!!

Britt Uecker, Horticulturist (garden guru)

On site 8 – 10 a.m. Tuesdays or by phone

10% savings on plants (up to one flat)

Weesie's Greenhouses

3691 US 31 South, Manistee

Questions or Concerns? Contact Sharron Lemmer, 723-2739, sharronlemmer@gmail.com

Item	Cost	Quantity	Subtotal
Plot Rental	\$25.00		
Other Donation Amount			
(Financial assistance available. Contact Sharron.)			Total Enclosed

**My gardening level
is (circle one)**

First-Timer
*I've never done this
before.*

Beginner
*I've grown a few
things.*

Intermediate
*I've grown and harvested
food somewhat
successfully.*

Experienced
I could teach a class.

By signing, I understand that I have read and agree to the Sophia Street Garden Guidelines and that if I do not comply with the garden rules I may lose my gardening privileges.

Signed _____ Date _____

OFFICE USE ONLY – LEAVE BLANK

Date received _____

_____ Fee received _____ Plot (s) number assigned _____ Garden Rules signed _____ Gardener notified of plot number

2014 Sophia Street Garden Guidelines

1. Gardeners will have their plot planted for the majority of the growing season.
2. We require organic or natural fertilizers and pest control, if needed. No commercial pesticides or fertilizers should be used in the garden.
3. Gardeners have free access to the compost piles and are expected to follow the posted guidelines for their use.
4. Each gardener will maintain (plant, water, weed and harvest) their rented plot(s).
5. If a plot is unkempt, the gardener will be notified about a cleanup plan. If the plot is not cleaned, it will be reassigned or tilled in.
6. If a gardener must abandon his/her garden, they will notify Sharron Lemmer, 723-2739, sharronlemmer@gmail.com.
7. Gardeners may work in their plots from dawn until dusk. Children are welcome to work in the garden if accompanied by an adult.
8. Gardeners may harvest crops only from their own plots or from the marked common areas.
9. At the end of the growing season, gardeners will clear their own plot and assist with the fall cleanup.
10. No pets will be allowed in the garden.
11. Any conflicts, cases of vandalism, or problems will be communicated with Sharron Lemmer, 723-2739, sharronlemmer@gmail.com.
12. The garden is family friendly. Smoking, alcoholic beverages, swearing, bullying, and intimidation will not be tolerated and may result in loss of privileges.
13. All gardeners agree to the following: "I understand that Manistee Community Kitchen is not responsible for my actions. I therefore agree to hold harmless the MCK, partners, organizations, and sponsors for any liability, damage, loss or claim that occurs in connection with use of the garden by me or any of my guests."

