

# Community Garden Rules - 2025

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## What is the Loveland Community Garden?

Loveland Community Garden is located at 3rd and Richland Ave.  
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Our community garden initiative is a labor of love, driven by the desire to create a vibrant green space where members of our community can come together.

**The Mission:** To share knowledge, learn, cultivate food, friendships and enjoy the fruits (and vegetables!) of our labor.

**Core Value:** We believe that a community garden not only enhances the beauty of our neighborhood, but also promotes a sense of unity and cooperation among residents.

## What We Provide:

Loveland Community Garden has been working for quite some time to raise funds through grants and local businesses. This was all completed by volunteer work. Together, as a committee, we wanted to provide essentials to assist you in your growing adventures. You are welcome to bring your own tools, but please take them home with you (unless renting a locker to store personal items).

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| 1. Flat Shovels         | 7. Hand Garden Hoe and Cultivator Tiller |
| 2. Spade Shovels        | 8. Hand Shovels                          |
| 3. Hoe/Cultivator Combo | 9. Pruning Shears                        |
| 4. Wheelbarrows         | 10. Pruning Saw                          |
| 5. Rake                 | 11. Secateur                             |
| 6. Watering Hose Cart   |                                          |

## What You Do:

By renting a plot in our garden each year; you have the chance to grow delicious, organic food, build meaningful relationships with other residents of Warwood, and participate in educational opportunities.

We have a few guidelines to ensure the garden is well-maintained all season long:

- 1. Keep your assigned plot maintained all season long.**
  - a. Clean debris, trimmings, and dying plants.
- 2. Be a good neighbor.**
  - a. Stay out of other people's plots unless specifically invited.
  - b. Don't take or pick anything from another gardener's plot unless you have their permission.
- 3. Plant only vegetables and ornamentals.**
  - a. Don't plant anything that will excessively shade or expand into someone else's plot.
  - b. Only one side of any garden plot can have vertical growth to make sure there's plenty of light for all plots.
- 4. No chemicals or pesticides allowed.**
  - a. Loveland encourages 100% organic gardening activity. No synthetic/chemical herbicides, pesticides, fungicides or synthetic fertilizers are permitted on the site.
- 5. Keep all weeds from maturing to seed in and around your plot.**
  - a. Between your plots, pull any flowering weeds to prevent spreading into garden plots.
- 6. Use water wisely.**
  - a. Water conservation is important. Please be mindful of how much you are watering throughout the week as to not waste water and to prevent overwatering.

- b. Never leave your plot when you're watering.
- 7. Leave the shared tools in as good condition as when you took them out of the shed.**
  - a. Always return any shared tools to the shed once you're done using them.
  - b. Please place tools and other items back in the proper location.
  - c. Return tools clean from dirt/mud.
  - d. No water inside the shed.
- 8. Make sure your plot is completely cleared at the end of your growing season.**
  - a. Garden managers will inform everyone several weeks ahead of time on your deadline.
  - b. Garden managers will be keeping a close eye on the weather as we enter winter.
- 9. Winter gardening.**
  - a. Currently, we don't have plans for winter gardening. The water will be turned off by the City of Wheeling during the winter months to prevent damage to pipes.

## Please Sign:

Your signature acknowledges you have read the Loveland Community Garden rules and guidelines. This is **good for one season** of gardening. Each year, we will review the rules and update accordingly. **If you plan to garden the following year**, you must sign up again, but you will have first pick and will also be able to move your plot (if one is available) for the 2026 season. Thank you for participating.

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_