

# Community Gardens of Santa Clarita

## Greenhouse Guidelines

Our mission statement communicates our goals for the greenhouse:

*“To create a community facility where individuals can come together to promote the benefits of locally grown, organic food that is environmentally friendly, sustainable, and cost effective and which delivers economic, health, and educational benefits to a wide array of valley residents.”*

Throughout the year, gardeners will have the opportunity to grow in the greenhouse. Gardeners who do not wish to start their own plants in the greenhouse will have opportunities to obtain seasonal greenhouse grown plants for use in their gardens.

### Greenhouse Usage Information

- Use of the greenhouse is dedicated for two purposes
  - half of the greenhouse is for Garden Committee usage
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    - there is currently room for each plot (a 10x20 counts as 1 plot) to have one (1) six-pack for seed starters (actual interest and usage may increase this amount)
- There are two (2) growing seasons available for the Garden Members to start plants
  - February - for spring crops (6-8 weeks for starters allows for planting in March - April)
  - July - for winter crops (6-8 weeks for starters allows for planting in September - October)
- All plantings must be approved by the Greenhouse Chair prior to introduction to the greenhouse

Please fill out the information below to grow in the greenhouse and return to the Greenhouse envelope in the CGSC shed by February 1, 2023 for the first growing season.

An information and planting session will take place on February 4 & 5 for the spring season.

Garden Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Season of Interest:

February \_\_\_\_\_

Plot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ July \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**I agree to the Greenhouse Rules and Usage as stated within.**

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

## Greenhouse Rules

To encourage a clean, healthy and disease-free environment in the greenhouse, please adhere to the following guidelines when using the greenhouse facility.

- Only **OMRI** certified products such as seed starter mix/potting soil and fertilizers are to be used for seed starters (provided by the CGSC)
- **NO** garden soil or compost is allowed in the greenhouse
- Clean and Sanitized planting containers are required (provided by the CGSC)
- Grow seeds appropriate for the growing season
  - **Some** flowers. (Butterfly milkweed plants and companion planting for beneficial insects)
  - Vegetables or herbs only
  - **DO NOT** use the greenhouse for starters that will be planted outside the CGSC (ie. your home)
- Label your six pack with you plot # and date planted
- Label your individual plants
- Keep the screen closed when entering and exiting and keep the door secured when finished
- DO NOT disturb other gardeners' plants
- Gardener's planting seeds in the greenhouse will be responsible for watering their seedlings
- **Diseased plants will be removed** from the greenhouse to an outdoor location (as well as plants left in the greenhouse beyond planting times)
  - You will receive an email from the greenhouse chair informing you that your plants have been removed and where they went
- Please address any issues (leaks or damage) or questions to a member of the Greenhouse Committee

Greenhouse Chair

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Greenhouse Committee

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