

Soergel Memorial Community Garden Rules

- 1. Donating Vegetables: Your responsibility. The Soergel garden is a memorial to Clifford Soergel, who established the tradition of growing produce, half for yourself and half for the needy. If you cannot meet this expectation, this garden is not for you.
- 2. Garden Hours: As designated by Town of Huntington.
- 3. No pesticides or chemical fertilizers allowed. The Soergel Garden is an organic vegetable garden. Use compost or other natural materials to keep your garden fertile. You may grow some flowers to discourage pests and to beautify your garden bed, but vegetables should take up most of the space.
- 4. Assignment of garden beds. Huntington Town officials will assign beds. The gardener may keep the bed as long as it is cultivated. Gardeners may not just pass it to a friend or relative, but must notify Huntington Town if they cannot use it so it may be reassigned.
- 5. Keeping Up Your Bed is Required: Beds must be planted by June 1. Gardeners whose beds go untended will be notified. Failure to respond within two weeks will result in loss of the bed. Notify a designated gardener volunteer if you will be away or have a problem preventing you from cultivating your bed, and other gardeners will assist you.
- 6. Tools: Tools left in the shed are there for everyone. After use, please clean them, return them to the shed and lock it. Make sure all faucets are off when you leave the garden.
- 10. Each gardener must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement before any work in the garden can begin.
- 11. No debris of any kind should be left in the garden. Use trash receptacles and put all plant material in the recycling enclosure behind the shed.
- 12. Your Help Is Required to Maintain the Garden: This is your garden. Bed holders promise to keep aisles free of weeds; to water blueberries and otherwise devote reasonable amounts of time to keep the garden tidy and beautiful. Failure to cooperate may lead to losing your plot.
- 13. End of Season Clean up. At the end of the growing season, all dead plants, weeds, etc. must be removed.
- 14. Help Manage the Garden. All gardeners are invited to volunteer to help with managing the garden; plan social events; harvest for donation and carry donations to food banks, etc.