

# CRPD Educational Gardens Guidelines

- Gardens on CRPD property will only be adjacent to Community Centers and for CRPD educational programmatic purposes.
- Any landscaping beyond the gardens must be approved and planted by maintenance
- Gardens must:
  - Be in close proximity to the Community Center
  - Have full-time staff at the Center
  - One full-time employee of the facility that will be designated as Garden Leader who will be responsible for the garden.

#### Responsibilities include:

- Participation on the Garden Committee
- Scheduling bed installation, all maintenance and bed clean up in the fall
- Coordinate any educational programming
- Oversee volunteers working with gardens
- Proper disposal of debris, construction of garden and any garden structures
- Be approved by the Center Manager and ensure that there is a Garden Leader for the center and that guidelines are being met.
- Have an Educational Garden Committee Chair designated, who is responsible for:
  - Coordinating Educational Garden Committee meetings and disseminating garden information to Garden Leaders
  - Helping determine committee gardens' essential needs and wish list
  - Being the point of contact for maintenance if garden issues happen
- Be used exclusively by CRPD for educational purposes and not for public use
- Any new gardens must be:
  - Coordinated with and approved by maintenance
  - Approved by Community Center Manager and Zone Manager
  - Use sustainable materials
  - Have an exit strategy for removing gardens if discontinued

v.1.2023



# CRPD Educational Gardens Guidelines

- Volunteers:
  - Volunteers are welcome and encouraged to assist with maintenance of educational gardens. If interested in engaging a local group to assist with a one-time event, or ongoing garden care, please contact Betty to coordinate.

Volunteers must work on gardens during operating hours and with staff approval.

- Volunteers are welcome and encouraged to assist with maintenance of educational gardens. If interested in engaging a local group to assist with a one-time event, or ongoing garden care, please contact Betty to coordinate.
- Garden and Educational Program Funding:
  - Funding is sought annually by Community Relations but not guaranteed. If funding cannot be secured, Centers might want to approach CRC to assist with funding
  - Community Centers are encouraged to seek grants and donations to assist with garden supplies and equipment as needed.

