

Creating a Strong Garden Team:

At GGB we ask that you have at least five active gardeners in your garden every year. We require this to make sure that the community as a whole is involved in the garden and that one gardener is not overdrawn caring for the entire garden. To strengthen your garden team we suggest you assign key roles and responsibilities to each gardener.

Assigning roles and responsibilities to your team members will make for a smoother running growing season. Some examples of roles are:

Membership Coordinator:

- Keep a constant list of participating gardeners
- Recruit new gardeners

Communications Coordinator

- Main contact person between GGB and the garden
- Main person in charge of disseminating information
- Organize delivery/ pick up of materials donated by GGB

Treasurer:

- Main person in charge of fundraising activities
- Grant writing
- Budgeting for new garden projects

Site Coordinator:

- Person in charge of creating a maintenance schedule
- Holding gardeners accountable to the maintenance schedule

Events Coordinator:

- Event planner
- Publicity

Volunteer Coordinator:

- Find volunteer groups
- Manage tasks for volunteers

Creating a Stronger Garden Team

Also creating a list of rules for your garden can help keep the peace between members of your garden and the community. These rules can either be posted in the garden or just be told to your new gardeners as they join.

Commonly rules revolve around the following:

Security of tools

Plot maintenance

Overall garden maintenance

Planting restrictions

Composting materials/ responsibilities

Pesticide use

Pets and children in the garden

Unwanted activities

Meetings (frequency and structure)



How the rules affect the garden:

What happens when rules are broken? How do you enforce the rules?

How will you display or inform people about the rules.

