

Havre de Grace Green Team Community Garden Plot Application

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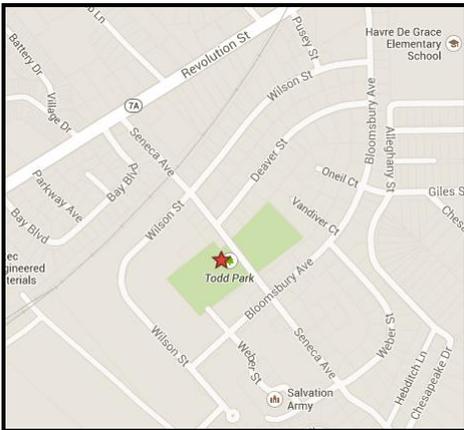
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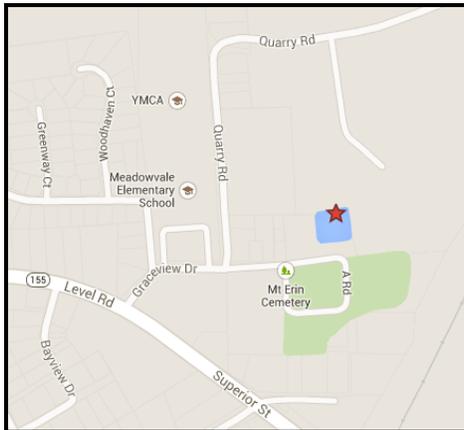
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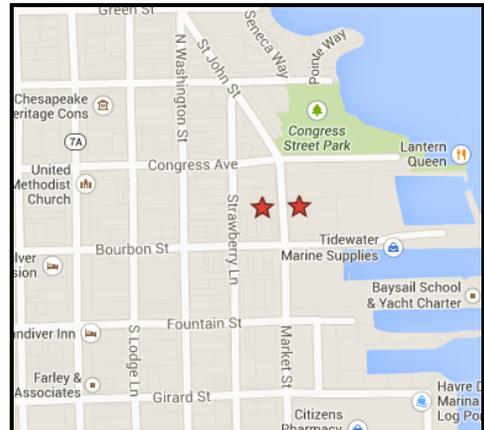
1. You will be assigned to one of four garden sites based on available space and your preference. The garden locations are marked with stars on the maps. Indicate your garden site preference below: 1 for your 1st choice, 2 for 2nd, 3 for 3rd, and 4 for 4th.



Seneca Ave. Garden off Revolution St. in the City Park.



Old Reservoir Garden off Rt. 155 near the Community Center.



Market St. 1 (right) & 2 (left) Gardens between Congress & Bourbon Streets.

Seneca Ave. _____ Old Reservoir. _____ Market St. #1 _____ Market St. #2 _____

2. **A non-refundable garden fee of \$35 is required with your application.** This fee will go toward expenses of the community gardens (e.g., fencing, signage, and other supplies). Make check or money order payable to The HdG Green Team.
3. **Sign and date your form.** By signing you acknowledge that you have read the Release Form and Community Garden Rules (on the back of this form) and understand that failure to follow the rules may result in loss of fee and gardening privileges.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail your application form and \$35 garden fee to:

HdG Green Team Community Garden
 c/o Carol Zimmerman
 213B Seneca Way
 Havre de Grace, M 21078

If you have questions about the community gardens or the HdG Green Team, please contact Carol Zimmerman at 410-939-2770 or zimmermanc@comcast.net.

HAVRE DE GRACE GREEN TEAM COMMUNITY GARDEN: RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

As a condition of being allowed to garden at the site, I agree to the following:

1. I am duly aware of the risks and hazards that may arise through participation in the Havre de Grace Green Team Community Garden, and assume any expenses and liabilities I incur in the event of an accident, illness or other incapacity. If I have had any questions about the Havre de Grace Green Team Community Garden, its nature, risks or hazards, I have contacted the garden coordinator and discussed those questions with him or her to my satisfaction.
2. I have read and agree to abide by the attached community garden rules.
3. In consideration of being granted the opportunity to participate in the Havre de Grace Green Team Community Garden, I, for myself, my executors, administrators, agents and assigns do hereby release and forever discharge the Havre de Grace Green Team, garden coordinator, volunteers, other gardeners, and the cooperating landowner from all claims of damages, demands, and any actions whatsoever, including those based on negligence, in any manner arising out of my participation in this activity. I understand that this Release means that, among other things, I am giving up my right to sue for any such losses, damages, injury or costs that I may incur.

I represent and certify that I am 18 years of age or older. I have read this entire Release, fully understand it, and I agree to be legally bound by it.

HAVRE DE GRACE GREEN TEAM COMMUNITY GARDEN RULES

1. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of his/her garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden-related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for friends or other gardeners to tend their plots; however, a "Release of All Claims" must be signed by any person tending to a garden.
2. Persons under the age of 18 must be supervised at all times by a gardener (who has signed a release form). The gardener assumes sole responsibility for persons under the age of 18 or any other older persons he or she invites to the garden.
3. Weeds and diseased and dead plants should be removed from your plot and the site.
4. To conserve water, individual plants should be watered with a watering can or other container. Hoses should be used only to fill a container.
5. Your garden plot should be cared for regularly (e.g., at least once a week) during the growing season. Please contact the garden leader for your site, if you can no longer tend your plot. If your plot is not kept tended, the garden committee may assign it to someone else or cover it over so that it does not become unsightly and a source for weeds and pests that infest other plots.
6. Gardeners are responsible for maintaining with wood chips half of the pathway next to his or her plot. Plants may not protrude into pathways or other plots. Protruding plants may be trimmed or picked by the next plot owner.
7. Gardeners should use organic gardening practices as much as possible. The application of herbicides (weed killers) to the garden plots is strictly prohibited. Powerful broad spectrum pesticides are to be avoided because they affect more than the target pest. The University of Maryland's Extension Service provides advice on gardening techniques at their Grow It! Eat It! website <http://growit.umd.edu/>, including videos and other information on organic methods of pest control.
8. Gardeners may harvest vegetables and flowers from their garden only, with the exception of areas designated as common gardens. Gardeners may not plant, weed, water or harvest another gardener's plot without permission of the plot owner.
9. Gardeners are required to participate in gardening duties that are common to the site. The leader for each garden will develop a list of these duties and request volunteers to help with specific duties at designated times.
10. At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material with the exception of winter crops or perennials in their plots.
11. Gardeners may not make any permanent changes to the garden without approval of the garden committee.
12. Gardeners are responsible for their own trash removal (i.e., paper, plastic, metal).
13. Pets are not allowed in the garden.
14. Smoking or chewing of tobacco in the garden is not permitted. Tobacco can transmit a deadly virus to tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, okra and other plants in the nightshade family, and cigarette butts are loaded with toxins.
15. Report theft, vandalism, or unusual activity to the garden coordinator and, if warranted, to the police.
16. Violation of garden rules may result in loss of gardening privileges as determined by the garden committee.