



Community Life Garden Membership Application Form

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Community Life Garden. As a non-profit, your membership will be considered a donation. We value your privacy and respect your honesty. All applications will be kept confidential.

To Apply for Membership

- Complete the entire application
- Submit you membership donation

A membership with Community Life Garden Non-Profit will help support the sustainability of the garden's operations including water, power and services to its members and the community.

Membership Benefits

As a member, you will receive:

- First priority to rent a garden plot
- First priority in plot renewal
- Notification and access to health and garden workshops
- Garden updates and events
- Discounts on special fundraising events

Annual membership will be \$25 for 2016. Higher membership levels are available for community and business supporters, and sponsors. Opportunities for sponsor supported garden plots for families in need will also be available.

You can pay your \$25 membership by check. Please make it out to "Community Life Garden" and send it, along with your completed application form, to CLG, PO BOX 1582, Reedley, CA 93654. Please indicate membership on your check memo line. You can also use our GoFundMe Account <https://www.gofundme.com/> to sign up.

Questions? Call or email David González, Executive Director, at 714-200-3684 or david@communitylifegarden.org. Please email or mail your completed application to the email or address above. For more information, visit www.communitylifegarden.org

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Date of Application: _____

Section 1: Member Information

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Email: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Section 2: Member Interests

Are you interested in renting a garden plot? Yes No

We identified two growing periods. They are from March 1 to August 30 and September 1 to February 28. Member Gardeners can select one or both periods for the same plot.

I would like my garden plot from March 1 to August 30? Yes No

I would like my garden plot from September 1 to February 28? Yes No

I would like my garden plot for both growing periods? Yes No

I am interested in attending gardening and wellness workshops? Yes No

Section 3: Member Acknowledgement

I, _____, understand that as a member I have certain benefits as detailed above but it does not guarantee a garden plot. I understand that I will be placed on a priority list based on a first come first serve basis. As a member, I will assist at volunteer events whenever possible. I am welcomed to participate at board meetings and may become a board member as dictated by the Community Life Garden Bylaws.

To the best of my knowledge, there is nothing that will prevent me from being able to perform the essential duties required of gardening, and as identified by the CLG Rules and Policies, should I choose to rent a garden plot.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Community Life Garden Additional Information

Who We Are

The Community Life Garden Board of Directors seeks members interested in community gardening. Our focus is to serve the California Central Valley communities of Dinuba, Reedley and Orange Cove. The garden property is centrally located within five miles of these three towns at 22899 E. Manning Ave, Reedley, CA 93654.

Approximately three acres of land with well water has been donated for the purpose of creating a community garden. The CLG Board estimates that up to 120 raised garden plots can be created with potential to also have special growing areas. In addition, we plan to build shade areas, tool sheds and compost bins to support member gardeners.

We continue to seek additional people interested in becoming a part of this exciting project. Everyone is invited to be members, gardeners, community donors, sponsors and supporters. We have created a 501c3 nonprofit organization supported by the communities it serves and a board of directors. Creating the nonprofit structure and community support base will ensure our long term sustainability and benefit to the community.

While gardening can be a passion, it will also contribute to the creation of a strong local food system. While we as gardeners do want to use the food for ourselves, there are opportunities to overproduce and thus have a good surplus to give to those in need of healthy fresh food options.

Our Vision and Mission

Community Life Garden seeks to establish and maintain a position in the region as a sustainable community garden non-profit that benefits local communities by promoting healthy lifestyles, self-reliance and community giving through gardening activities and education programs, and by coordinating networking and social events that build community relationships and inspire people to help others in need.

The Membership Experience

There are many phases to a growing garden. As such, members are welcomed to participate in a variety of volunteer opportunities. This includes assisting in developing and organizing garden building events, help develop and implement outreach and marketing strategies, and assist in the planning and construction of the garden.

First time member gardeners can choose to provide volunteer hours to pay for the annual rental cost of a garden plot. This will encourage first-time gardeners to consider their commitment while volunteering to support Community Life Garden. Each volunteer hour will be valued at \$5 enabling a new member to contribute hours to obtain a garden plot for the first year. It is anticipated that new members, if they choose to renew, will plan their renewal in advance and create a savings for the full payment of their renewal membership and garden plot.