

## **Community Garden Rules**

**\*WATER USE:** It is always important to conserve water. Do not allow children to play with the water. Make sure that the water is always turned off when not in use. Do not remove nozzles from hoses. Notify property management of any issues with the water immediately. Only water your plants every three to four days.

### ***Security***

**If the property's community garden is gated, gardeners are responsible for locking the gate if there are no other individuals in the Garden.**

### ***Use of Own Plot and Tools***

**Gardeners may not use others' plots for any reasons and may not harvest another Gardener's produce, without explicit permission.**

Gardeners may not give their plot to someone else. The transfer of plots will be handled by First Community Housing and property management.

Gardeners are responsible for the upkeep, growth of their plots and should keep the area around their plots free of weeds as well.

If a resident neglects their plot, and does not respond to inquiries regarding its use, his/her plot will be assigned to someone else.

### ***Organic Gardening***

**No pesticides use allowed.** Gardeners should check with Valley Verde Housing OR Santa Clara County Master Gardeners for helpful tips.

### ***General Conduct and Common Responsibilities***

Gardeners will keep clean and neat any common areas, such as pathways. Gardeners will report any concerns about safety to the Property Manager.

Please keep hoses from being piled up in pathways. Before leaving, **MAKE SURE THE WATER IS TURNED OFF!**

Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times.

### ***Gardener Input***

Gardeners are encouraged to provide suggestions about Garden operations.

***Thank you for participating in your community garden and helping create a healthy community.***