

Portsmouth Community Garden

A place to grow

Land ... open, flat space with plenty of parking? **Yes!** Water ... linked to City water with two spigots ready to use? **Yes!** Gardeners ... first set of 33 signed up and ready to start gardening? **Yes!**

The Portsmouth Community Garden Board of Directors is excited for the launch of the garden in May, thanks to the generous support of the City of Portsmouth and donors large and small!

Join us for Opening Day on Saturday, May 21!

Action Items and Updates



New spigots in the garden site at the Route 33 city-owned NH Ride Share parking lot (photo taken in early March)

What's New

- The fence is scheduled for installation on April 4.
- Volunteers from Lonza will join the Board of Directors at the garden on **Earth Day, April 22**, to build the first 33 of 100 eventual beds and fill them with soil.
- Rotary Club of Portsmouth volunteers will finish any garden bed work, prepare the pathways and install the rodent barrier on April 23.
- Join us for Opening Day on Saturday, May 21 from 8 a.m. 12:00 p.m. when you will receive your plot assignment, fence access information (date subject change). City officials will be invited to attend a brief, ribbon cutting ceremony in the morning, time to be determined.

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- If you cannot attend Opening Day, please let us know. We can send your plot assignment and access code via email.
- Bring your own tools and any questions! Once we have a shed (Phase 2), you can store tools on site.
- Remember your commitment for the season to volunteer for three 2-hour Work Day shifts. Please watch for an email in the next month that will allow you to sign up for your Work Days using Sign-up Genius.

How Can You Help?

Please reach out to us at <u>communitygarden603@gmail.com</u> if you can help with any of the items below.

- Loan request Popup sports canopies (x3), folding tables (3), and wheelbarrows (3) for Earth Day
- Donation request 5-10 gallon water cooler
- Donation request Thick cardboard (please, drop off at the garden on April 22 or 23)
- Contacts request If you have connections to local businesses who might be interested in donating to the inaugural season, please let us know! Donations at \$1,000+ will be listed on a plaque at the garden site.

Our Mission

To create a community space where individuals and local organizations can grow food in a peaceful, respectful and inclusive environment



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