

2024 Boscawen Community Garden Welcome Letter

Welcome all 2024 Gardeners,

It is that time of year to begin thinking about the 2024 growing season. Have your seed catalogs out and start mapping your garden on paper. The Boscawen Community Garden (BCG) is now in its 16th year. As interest grows, the garden will continue to expand. We encourage all gardeners to start small and returning gardeners to maybe consider downsizing based on past experience and/or need. That being said please remember the opportunity to participate in the NH Gleans Project. Also help support our local food pantry with any extra produce whenever possible. The Boscawen Agricultural Commission's hope and desire is to accommodate everyone's gardening needs.

Looking to the 2024 gardening season, the time is ripe to formalize a volunteer Community Garden Committee. This Committee will add diverse volunteer talent and enhance our ability to serve gardeners needs while maintaining current offerings. To keep our gardening community thriving, please speak to Jeff about your interests and ideas. Here are some ideas to consider: educational programmer, compost turners, mowers, newsletter/website team, communication person, pollinator person, irrigation repair, garden tour director, groundskeeper. Let Jeff know what your strengths are. You might also consider submitting a garden story, a poem or a recipe for a BCG newsletter.

This year, the BCG application process can be done online. We encourage you to use this link: <https://www.boscawennh.gov/agricultural-commission-garden-committee/pages/garden-committee-forms-documents-and-links>

You will also find paper copies at the BCG kiosk, Town Meeting Day, and in the entryway to the Town Offices. The price is still, \$15 per 12' x12' plot, or \$45 for 4 plots. Please read the rules and guidelines carefully as these have been updated.

All 2024 **returning gardeners**, please submit your application and payment by April 1st. If we have not received the application and payment by 4/1/24, your plot(s) may be assigned to another gardener.

If you are a new applicant and have not been assigned a plot, please do not send money until you have been assigned a plot. Submit your application **now** and you will be placed on a waiting list to be notified by the garden coordinator about plot availability and plot assignment.

Success at the Boscawen Community Garden depends on each of us. Our spirit of giving and growing is what makes our community garden standout. Volunteering is how we nurture & cultivate lasting friendships. It's always better in Boscawen!

Green Thumbs Up,

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