



Garden Resource Center: How it Works

Who can access the Garden Resource Center?

The Garden Resource Center is available to backyard gardeners, community gardeners, locally-owned small businesses and nonprofits who are working to either produce food for themselves or others, or provide a service that aids the food-growing process.

Garden Resource Center Eligibility

To gain access to the Garden Resource Center:

- Be at least 18 years old and live in Allegheny County. Must provide proof of residency through a utility bill **OR** lease agreement.
- Show current Driver's License or state issued photo ID
- Complete and sign the Application form and the Policies & Conditions form
- Pay annual fee

Garden Resource Center Levels

The fee to register for the Garden Resource Center enables us to replace broken tools and add additional tools and materials to the GRC's inventory. Registered users will receive email updates about new tools/materials and a Grow Pittsburgh e-newsletter subscription.

Individual \$40*

For backyard gardeners, individual community gardeners, and small-scale businesses.

- Ability to borrow up to 10 tools at one time
- 5 buckets each of woodchips, compost and topsoil per month
- 1 free bale of straw per year, with the ability to buy more at cost
- 1 pound of cover crop seed and soil amendment per month, able to buy more at cost
- Limited quantities of IPM and other supplies as available

Group \$80

For community gardens, community farms, and food pantry gardens serving multiple community members.

- Ability to borrow an unlimited number of tools, as available
- 10 buckets of woodchips, compost and topsoil per month
- 4 free bales of straw per year, with the ability to buy more at cost
- 1 pound of cover crop seed and soil amendment per month, able to buy more at cost
- Larger quantities of seed, organic amendments, IPM and other supplies as available

* Fill out the form at the check-in desk or show your EBT/SNAP benefit card to demonstrate eligibility for reduced rates. Grow Pittsburgh and Phipps Homegrown members receive a \$10 discount

Garden Resource Center location: 147 Putnam St, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Mail to: Grow Pittsburgh · 6587 Hamilton Ave Pittsburgh, PA #2W

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Borrower # _____

In MyTurn? Staff Initials _____

Garden Resource Center Application

Please print clearly · All information is required

Are you applying as an Individual or as a Group? Individual Group

Group Name (if applicable) _____

Group/Garden Address _____

Primary Contact Person:

First and Last Name _____

Home Address _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Neighborhood _____

Photo ID: Driver License # _____ OR Other (type and #) _____

Proof of Residence: Utility bill Rental/lease agreement Other _____

Secondary Contact Person:

First and Last Name _____

Home Address _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Neighborhood _____

For Individual Users:

Do you need payment assistance? Yes No

If 'yes' please show your SNAP / EBT card for \$20 discount (Individual Gardener only)

Are you a Grow Pittsburgh member? Yes No

GP & Phipps Members receive a \$10 discount if applying at the Individual Gardener level

Are you a Phipps Homegrown member? Yes No

Volunteering: Are you interested in volunteering at the GRC? Yes No

Don't forget to sign the Waiver & Indemnification on the back... →



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WAIVER and INDEMNIFICATION

I, _____ (print name), state that I am capable of using the tools I am borrowing and that I will use the tools I am borrowing in a safe and responsible manner.

I understand that Grow Pittsburgh is not legally liable for any injury sustained while under the care of the borrower.

I hereby agree to release and indemnify and hold harmless Grow Pittsburgh its officers, agents, and employees from any and all liability, loss, claims, and demands, actions or causes of action for the death or injury to any persons and for any property damage suffered or incurred by any person which arises or may arise or be occasioned in any way from the use of tools I am borrowing from the Grow Pittsburgh Garden Resource Center.

I affirm that the above information is current, true, and correct and may be subject to verification. I further state that I have read and fully understand the Policies & Conditions of Grow Pittsburgh's Garden Resource Center and I understand that failure to comply with any of these rules may result in revocation of my borrowing privileges and/or legal action against me. I have read this Waiver and Indemnification form and in signing it relinquishing any and all claims against Grow Pittsburgh and its Garden Resource Center.

Signature

Date

Payment Log

Start Date	Expires	Payment Type	Payment Amount	Check #
		cash/check/credit		
		cash/check/credit		
		cash/check/credit		
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Garden Resource Center: Policies & Conditions

1. Prior to borrowing tools, individuals must:
 - Be at least 18 years old and live in Allegheny County. Must provide proof of residency through a utility bill **OR** lease agreement
 - Show current driver's license or state-issued photo ID
 - Complete and sign Application and Policies & Conditions page
 - Pay annual fee
2. Only registered borrowers may use the tools they check out; please do not lend tools to other individuals.
3. Borrowers agree that if any tool breaks or becomes unsafe, the borrower will immediately stop using the tool and return it to the Garden Resource Center (GRC). Please call the GRC if a tool isn't working properly; a staff member may be able to help with troubleshooting over the phone.
4. **WAIVER** By borrowing tools from the GRC the borrower agrees that Grow Pittsburgh is not responsible for any manufacturing defects found in any borrowed tools. The borrower also agrees that Grow Pittsburgh is not responsible if the borrower becomes hurt or injured by using any borrowed tools.
5. **LOAN PERIOD** Loan periods are for 7 days for non-power tools tools; motorized tools must be returned the next day the GRC is open. Books can be checked out for 2 weeks. The borrower agrees to return any borrowed item on or before the due date to the Center.
6. **RESERVATIONS** The GRC currently does not take reservations due especially to the high demand and turnover of motorized tools.
7. **LATE FEES** When tools are not returned by the designated due date, Grow Pittsburgh will issue a late fee of \$3 per day per power tool and \$1 per day for other items.
8. **RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES OR LOSS** The borrower agrees to return any borrowed item on or before the due date in the same condition as when it was borrowed. The borrower agrees to pay for any damage inflicted on the borrowed tool that was not there before rental beyond normal wear and tear. The borrower agrees to pay for any lost, stolen, or unreturned tools that were checked out under the borrower's name.
9. **RIGHT OF REFUSAL** Grow Pittsburgh reserves the right to refuse the loan of any item for failure to comply with any of the above rules and regulations or for falsification of any information. Staff may also, at their discretion, deny access to a particular tool based on the borrower's inability to handle, transport, or operate the tool safely.

I have read and agree to the 2018 GRC Policies and Conditions.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____