

Plot It Fresh Community Garden COVID-19 Protocol

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Hello Gardeners!

I hope you are all safe and healthy during this time. As you know, in April we opened up Hawthorne Avenue Farm to out Plot It Fresh farmers on a limited basis by appointment only. We are happy to report that appointments are no longer necessary! However, we will still be enforcing strict rules to meet health recommendations and ensure the safety of staff and farmers. Your compliance is necessary and we will determine any policy decisions based on day-to-day circumstances.

Plot It Fresh hours are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 3-6pm; and Wednesday, Friday, Saturday from 10am-1pm

Plot it Fresh Adaptations:

- Gardeners will check in with staff when they arrive and display their garden ID.
- Face coverings or masks, covering the mouth and nose, MUST be worn while at the farm.
- Gardeners must observe social distancing and stay six feet apart.
- Shared tools will not be used during this time.
- Everyone will sanitize their hands upon entering the garden.
- We encourage people to wear gloves.
- If you feel sick please DO NOT come to the garden.
- No children are allowed into the garden during this time.
- Only people who have registered for plot/plots are allowed in the garden.
- The two week attendance policy will now be in effect.
- You can only tend to plant beds that are in your name.
- You are only allowed in the Plot it Fresh area; please do not wander to other areas of the farm.
- All procedures are subject to change based on city and state regulations.

It is imperative that everyone who chooses to garden follows these protocols so that we can all stay safe.

I also would like to remind you to please stay up to date about the outbreak for more information about COVID-19 (coronavirus), please click on the following links: <u>World Health Organization</u>, <u>CDC</u>, and <u>the State of New Jersey</u>.

We at the Conservancy want to keep everyone safe while allowing you access to grow your own food. Please make the decision that is best for you and your family during this unusual time.

Thank you for your cooperation and best wishes for a successful growing season!