



make TODAY count!

### Community Gardens

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## REASONS TO GARDEN

**You can make new friends** – Diverse gardeners come together, information is shared, relationships develop, and people feel connected to the larger community of gardeners.

**It can improve the way neighborhoods look** – When vacant lots are replaced with gardens of fruits, flowers and vegetables, the area looks improved, maintained, and occupied.

**It's good for your health** – Constant supplies of fresh produce are great for your diet. Gardening is also great exercise and working outside in the fresh air can be a great stress reliever.

**It increases biodiversity** – People planting heirloom vegetables and fruits and experimenting with non-indigenous plants help to increase biodiversity.

**It teaches about water conservation** – Many Greeley community gardens use drip irrigation, which is a highly efficient watering system that significantly reduces runoff and evaporation.

**You get to see birds and other wildlife** – Bird sightings to date include robins, meadowlarks, doves, kingbirds, black birds, and occasionally owls. You see rabbits and groundhogs, too!

**It produces food locally** – Knowing that what you serve your family was not produced with chemicals and did not travel cross-country or around the world to get to your table is a good thing!

**You can supplement your income** – With climbing gas and food prices, who doesn't need a few extra bucks every now and then? Growing your own produce can slash grocery bills.

**It helps build community** – Religious groups, schools, non-profits, and similar community groups are always looking for projects--community gardening is a great way to get involved!



## 2016 Community Garden Tour

Location: Greeley Community Gardens

August 21<sup>st</sup>

3:30-6:30pm

Visit [maketodaycount.org](http://maketodaycount.org) for more information on future events & workshops.



## GUIDE TO COMMUNITY GARDENS IN GREELEY



## UNC

Reservoir Road,  
North of Nottingham Field  
Established, 2007

This is the second oldest community garden in Greeley. Many of the gardeners are students, professors and other faculty from the university. Most gardeners are neighborhood folks from within the University District. Most gardeners have a drip irrigation system in place.

Overall size: 12,000 sq. ft.  
Plot size: 15'x 15'  
Type: slightly raised beds  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: individual water connection, gardeners can hook up their own drip systems.  
Cost: \$25 per plot  
On-site Composting: yes

### Contact

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<http://greeleygov.com/services/neighborhood-resource-office>



## PLUMB FARM

10th Street & 39th Avenue  
Established, 2008

This garden has nine plots and is irrigated by ditch water, just like in historic Union Colony days. The farm and garden were given to the city's museum as a memorial to the foresight and determination of the C.O. Plumb family, and is recognized as one of Colorado's Centennial Farms. Most gardeners have a drip irrigation system in place.

Overall size: 3,200 sq. ft.  
Plot size: 15'x 20'  
Type: rows  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: individual water connection, gardeners can hook up their own drip systems.  
Cost: \$25 per plot  
On-site Composting: yes

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## CLAY CENTER

1024 6th Avenue  
Established, 2010

Tim Preston, the owner of the Clay Center, provides the fenced land and access to water for this garden. Home of an eclectic mix of Greeley residents, clients of Schaefer Enterprises, Envision, and young families. The garden has raised beds, big harvests, and is located in the historic Sunrise neighborhood.

Overall size: 1,000 sq. ft.  
Plot size: 4'x 8'  
Type: deep raised beds  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: communal spigots, dragging hoses  
Cost: \$25 per plot  
On-site Composting: yes, communal composting in Earth Machine™ bins and open air piles.

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## HOUSTON GARDENS

515 23rd Avenue  
Established, 1970s

Situated on the land of one of Greeley's early settlers, Houston Gardens include a nature center, community garden, and areas for outdoor events. It is now managed by the West Greeley Conservation District.

Overall size: 12,000 sq. ft.  
Plot size: 10'x 66'  
Type: rows  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: Discourage the use of chemicals but cannot be organic because of the ditch water used.  
Water System: A large pipe that connects to the ditch water with gates that open and close on each person's plot.  
Cost: \$20 per half plot, \$35 for a full plot  
On-site Composting.

### Contact

970-356-8097 ext 3  
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## VICTORY GARDEN

1110 M. Street  
Established, 2013

Weld Food Bank (WFB) is partnering with Alternative Homes for Youth (AHFY) to provide horticultural therapy, farm-to-table culinary training, and other support for its residents. The garden will offer an array of workshops, field days, and other educational opportunities for other locals. Volunteer opportunities are available. The garden provides fresh produce for AHFY and WFB clients.

Type: combination  
Open to the Public: no, plots are not open to the public but volunteer opportunities are.  
Organic: yes  
Water System: TBD  
On-site Composting: yes

### Contact

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www.weldfoodbank.org



## PEAPOD PATCH

Fellowship Church  
2376 47th Avenue  
Established, 2008

The Peapod Patch is an organic garden for those who want a peaceful place to plant their favorite herbs, flowers and veggies. It is located at the Fellowship Church in Greeley.

Overall Size: 1,200 sq. ft.  
Plot Size: 6'x 10'  
Type: rows  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: yes  
Cost: \$15 per plot  
On-site Composting: yes

### Contact

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fellowshipgreeley.org



## ACCESSIBLE GARDEN AT CONNECTIONS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

1331 8th Ave  
Established, 2013

The community garden at Connections for Independent Living serves the disabled community of Northern Colorado. The garden provides a holistic approach to problems such as isolation, depression, low self-esteem, and extreme poverty. The garden creates a community of peer gardeners, engenders a sense of accountability and accomplishment, and provides opportunities for outdoor activity and exercise.

### Contact

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## WEST GREELEY BAPTIST

3251 West 22nd Street  
Established, 2010

This garden is situated in a beautiful setting next to Sanborn Park. Its plots are separated by 3-4' paths. Most gardeners raise vegetables or a mix of vegetables and flowers. Fences or other structures may be added to the gardeners' plot but must be removed at the end of the growing season. The whole garden is tilled each spring by the garden coordinator and is usually ready to plant by March 1.

Overall size: 7,570 sq. ft.  
Plot size: 20'x 25'  
Type: rows  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: yes  
Cost: \$25 per plot  
On-site Composting: no

### Contact

Susan Trostle, 970-330-0786  
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www.westgreeleybaptist.com



## UBUNTU COMMUNITY GARDENS & ORCHARD

Family of Christ Presbyterian Church  
2414 35th Avenue  
Established, 2013

Ubuntu hosts gatherings each Wednesday to eat, grow, and work together. Gardeners are strongly encouraged to attend these weekly events. Each gardener tends two 5' x 15' plots and also contributes to the upkeep of common areas. Shared projects include a jubilee garden (to support food insecure families), a melon/squash patch, a cut flower garden, an herb garden, a xeriscape demonstration garden, and (someday soon) a community orchard. The richness of Ubuntu comes from being a multi-cultural, multi-lingual, multi-racial, multi-religious group of gardeners that values the unique contributions of each member of the community.

Overall Size: 4 Acres  
Plot Size: 10'x 15'  
Type: raised beds  
Open to the Public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water System: drip, spigot system  
Cost: \$30/plot, sponsorships available  
On-site Composting: yes

### Contact

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Visit us on Facebook: Ubuntu Community Gardens & Orchard



## CHILDREN'S GARDEN

919 A Street  
Established, 2014

The mission of The Children's Garden is to provide a place for children and community to connect with the earth, learn, participate, experience, and enjoy the fruits of their labor. All are welcome to come out and garden with us. The volunteers who work the land will participate in the harvest.

Overall size: 2400 square feet  
Type: rows  
Open to public: yes  
Organic: yes  
Water system: drip  
Cost: no fee

### Contact

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To sign up for a community garden: 970-336-4167/deborah.deboutez@greeleygov.com