

2010 Membership Application



The Community Greening Resource Network (CGRN) is a collaborative membership program supporting community gardens throughout Baltimore City and the surrounding County.* For an annual membership fee, CGRN provides community-based groups and individuals with access to:

- Material resources (including tools, seeds, plants, and compost)
- Educational opportunities (including a calendar of city-wide workshops and trainings)
- Networking opportunities for sharing and celebrating skills and experience.

The extent to which a member receives these benefits depends on their membership type.



Application Procedure:

Please return the completed application, three photos, signed agreement, and cash OR a check made payable to Parks & People Foundation, to:

Sarah Ritter, Asst. CGRN Coordinator
Parks & People Foundation
800 Wyman Park Drive, Suite 010
Baltimore, MD 21211

Memberships can be received year-round and are valid for one calendar year. You will receive your member packet in the mail!

For more information about member benefits or upcoming opportunities, contact Sarah Ritter, Asst. CGRN Coordinator, at (410) 448-5663 ext 128 or community.greening@parksandpeople.org.

* Only county gardens located within five miles of Baltimore City with are eligible for membership.

Membership Options:

Advocates/Individual – \$5/year

- Subscription to quarterly "See Green" newsletter with a calendar of city-wide workshops and events
- Discounts on select workshops
- Opportunity to network with other Baltimore community gardeners through events and online maps
- Annual CGRN celebrations!

Private/Family Gardens – \$15/year

- All above benefits PLUS
- Seeds and plant materials at 4 members-only Give-Away Days
- Community Tool Banks and other garden resources

Community Gardens – \$10/year

- All above benefits PLUS
- 20% discount on power tools at Proline Rentals
- Access to larger quantities of resources at Give-Away Days and other events

School Gardens – Pay \$20/year and receive

- All above benefits PLUS
- Prof. development information / curriculum resources
- Maintenance/planning guidance

★ Mark your calendar! ★

There are four seed and plant Give-Away Days, in March, May, July, and September, and may include: vegetable and flower seeds, seedlings, perennial flowers, and trees!

Look for more information in your member packet.



2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I am applying for:

- Advocate/Individual (\$5/year) – Anyone interested in community gardening, not requesting material resources.
- Private/Family Garden (\$15/year) – Gardens maintained by a single family on their home property.
- Community Garden (\$10/year) – Gardens maintained by and open to community members.
- School Garden (\$20/year) – Gardens located on school property and used for academic purposes.

I am a returning member Yes No

Emailing saves money! Would you rather receive CGRN materials through Email or Postal mail?

Is it OK to share your contact info with other members for networking purposes? Yes No

Garden name: _____

Street address of garden: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Your name: _____

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

What is your role in the garden? (Check all that apply) Manager Takes care of the site Takes care of the paper work

Teacher Works with an organization, specify _____ Other _____

How did you hear about CGRN? (Check all that apply) Friend Parks & People Brochure Event

University of MD Extension Other: _____

Why did you join CGRN? _____

ALTERNATE CONTACT:

Please provide us with contact information for another person who is very involved with the garden. This information will help CGRN stay connected with your garden.

Alternate name 1: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

What is their role in the garden? (Check all that apply) Manager Takes care of the site Takes care of the paper work

Teacher Works with an organization, specify _____ Other _____

Additional Email Contacts:

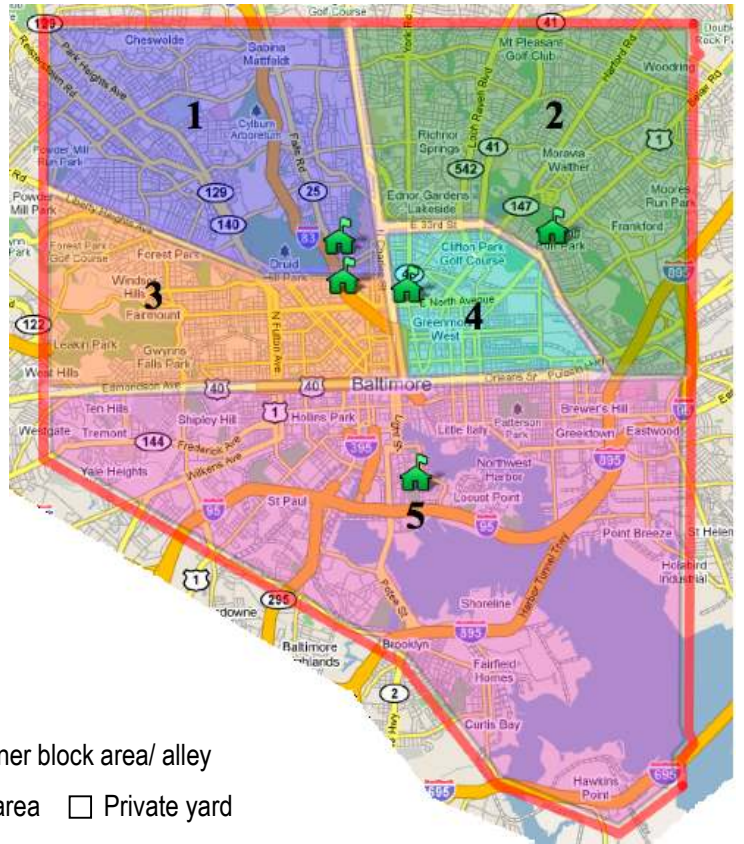
Please provide the email addresses of other individuals who are **involved with your garden** and would like to receive CGRN updates and announcements. *It is important that these individuals are active garden members.*

TOOL BANK REGION

CGRN partners provide supplies of tools that can be used by members. Currently there are 5 tool banks serving different regions of the city.

Please identify the region your garden is located:

- (1) Parks & People Foundation
- (2) Herring Run Watershed Center
- (3) Reservoir Hill Improvement Council
- (4) People's Homesteading Group
- (5) Riverside Park
- Baltimore County (please also check the city region your garden is nearest)



PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR GARDEN:

- What type of space is it? Schoolyard Vacant lot Inner block area/ alley
- Streetscape Public/park space Municipal area Private yard
- Other: _____

What is growing now in your garden? (Check all that apply)

- Vegetables Herbs Fruit trees Berries Annual flowers Perennial flowers/bushes
- native plantings shade trees None Other: _____

Year started: _____ Approx. # of adults involved now: _____ Approx # of children involved now: _____

What are the biggest challenges facing your garden? _____

FOR SCHOOL GARDENS:

Would professional development workshops be helpful to you? Yes No

If yes, what topics?

- Creating a schoolyard habitat Teaching with a schoolyard habitat Creating a vegetable garden
- Teaching with a vegetable garden Watershed education Other _____

For what grade levels? _____

Could a Master Gardener (garden expert) be helpful to you? Yes No

Do you have a system for maintenance of the garden? Yes No, explain _____

Would you like help improving or creating a system? Yes No

How is the garden currently connected with the school's activities? _____

How would you like to improve the school's connection with the garden? _____

WORKSHOP AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Workshop topic(s) that you or someone else at your garden are comfortable teaching:

- Weed/pest control Plant identification and care Using garden produce Garden design/infrastructure
 Soil / Composting Community organizing Garden-related policy Other: _____

Are you willing to host a workshop at your garden? Yes No

Workshop topics that you or someone else at you garden would be interested in attending:

- Weed/pest control Plant identification and care Using garden produce Garden design/infrastructure
 Soil / Composting Community organizing Garden-related policy Other: _____

How can other members visit your garden? (Check all that apply) Call first Come by anytime, it's open

- We have a locked gate Other: _____

Do you have regular garden workdays? Yes No When? _____

What types of volunteer opportunities exist at your garden for other CGRN members? _____

What age/skill level? _____ How many volunteers would be needed? _____

Would you be interested in volunteering at other CGRN gardens? Yes No

SITE SHARE AGREEMENT

Site shares allow CGRN to best provide the materials and support your garden needs. Someone from a CGRN partner organization or member garden will contact you to visit and talk with you about your site.

What organizations have helped you with your garden? (Check all that apply)

- Master Gardeners City Blossoms Community Greens Gardening for Nutrition Civic Works
 Parks & People Irvine Nature Center Other: _____

Would you be willing to complete a site share for another garden? Training will be provided. Yes No

For community and school gardens only:

Please read the following and sign and date below.

I agree to work with CGRN to complete an annual site share and needs assessment, so that CGRN can best provide my garden with materials and support.

Printed name: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

MAKE SURE THE FOLLOWING ARE INCLUDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

- 3 photos of your garden site (CGRN reserves the right to use photos for advertising and events)
 Membership fee; in cash or check made out to "Parks & People Foundation"
 Your additional donation is greatly appreciated and will directly support the work of CGRN!

For administrative use only:

Date received: _____

Date member packet mailed: _____

Region: _____

Site share conducted by: _____

Date site share report received: _____