



**TOWN OF MOUNTAIN VILLAGE HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**VILLAGE COURT APARTMENTS**  
415 Mountain Village Blvd. Suite 1  
Mountain Village, CO 81435  
970-728-9117 Pho  
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**Michael Ruterbories Community Garden Application (Revised May, 2023)**

Garden plots are available to all Mountain Village residents.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please select your PLOT SIZE;

\_\_\_ Plot size: 4' x 12' Plot fee: \$25  
\_\_\_ Plot size: 4' x 8' Plot fee: \$20

Gardeners will be assigned one plot (1) on a first-come, first serve basis until all plots are assigned, unless renewing a plot from the previous season.  
Please return the completed application to the Village Court Apartments office at 415 Mountain Village Boulevard and a check made payable to "Town of Mountain Village".

For more information, call the VCA Management Office 970-369-8232.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**  
**PLOT #** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE RECEIVED** \_\_\_\_\_



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The Michael Ruterbories Community Garden is an amenity for all Mountain Village residents that is possible because of the cooperation of Telluride Ski & Golf (it is their land), the Town of Mountain Village, The Mountain Village Housing Authority, and those that tend garden plots year to year. It is a privilege to all that use it, and all of us must do our part so that we can continue to provide and offer space for growing vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers. The Town of Mountain Village has limited resources to manage and operate the garden, and we ask for your cooperation in the rules and regulations listed below to ensure the garden remains open.

#### **Please understand and acknowledge the following garden rules:**

1. The garden is only open daylight hours
2. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult
3. No dogs allowed within the perimeter of the garden
4. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot and the pathways around it
5. No personal items are allowed outside of the plot(s) that you are assigned. All tools should be stored in the shared garden shed. If any personal items are left in the garden the maintenance team will take the items to the maintenance shop. If the items are not retrieved within 30 days they will be discarded.
6. Garden plots must be cared for each week. If a gardener misses a week, please arrange for a friend to tend your garden
7. Trash must be removed from the community garden area
8. Plots should be kept free of weeds and invasive plants
9. No marijuana plants are allowed to be grown
10. Trellises and support should be kept at a reasonable height to avoid shading other garden plots. Plants should be kept from sprawling onto pathways and other garden plots.
11. Please do not water, weed, tend or take items from another person's garden without their consent
12. At the end of the season, plots are to be cleaned and cleared up by Oct. 31
13. Avoid wasteful use of water
14. Gardeners may pay for up to 1 plot each up until June 1st.
15. The garden shed is for all gardeners and should only be used for storing gardening tools. If any personal items are found in the shed the maintenance team will remove them.
16. If any plots are still unoccupied after June 1st, current plot holders may pay for up to 2 additional plots. However, at the beginning of the following season, these additional plots will be thought of as vacant plots.
17. If you feel that someone is violating one of the terms of the garden agreement, please submit a complaint in writing to VCA Staff. Complaints will be reviewed, investigated and addressed by VCA staff on a case by case basis.
18. VCA has the right to revoke garden privileges at any time if they determine that the garden is being misused, or if one of the terms of this agreement is being violated.
19. If your garden privileges are revoked, you will be given 24 hours to remove any plants, personal items or gardening tools from the garden that you would like to keep. At that point you will lose all rights to your garden plot and anything located inside of it. If gardening privileges are revoked for violation of these terms, garden plot fees will not be refunded and you may not be allowed to use the community garden in the future.
20. Gardeners shall not harass, disrespect, denigrate, or verbally abuse any other gardeners or the admin.
21. If you have informally been planting in a garden plot and that plot is assigned to a new garden user, you must remove your garden items from the plot within 48 hours of notification otherwise your plantings are forfeit.

VCA maintenance staff is not responsible for the upkeep of the community garden. Still, it will, as time allows, maintain and upkeep the area within the garden on an as-needed basis.

If all garden plots have yet to be allocated in any given year, please request to either pay for or use a garden space by emailing [creilly@mtnvillage.org](mailto:creilly@mtnvillage.org). At least one plot must be paid for to be considered to use a vacant plot during the season. If a plot is being used absent payment after talking with the staff, understand that if assigned during the summer, your plantings are forfeit.



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Do you agree to share your contact information with other gardeners for garden-specific communication?

Yes  No

**I have read the Mountain Village Community Garden Rules and agree to abide by these rules and understand that failure to meet the guidelines will result in the loss of gardening privileges. I also understand that Mountain Village and its agents accept no liability for incidents which occur with this program.**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_