

# Calvin Church Cooperative Community Garden

## Gardener Application for 2026

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_

**Garden Location:** Calvin Presbyterian Church, 18826 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW, Shoreline, WA 98177

**Garden Contact for 2025:** Christi Nixon, Hospitality/Facility Director, can be reached at 206-629-4913 or by email to [hospitality@calvinpc.org](mailto:hospitality@calvinpc.org). Jan Allen, the lead gardener, is also the contact for the garden [janallenorg@gmail.com](mailto:janallenorg@gmail.com).

### **Gardener Membership:**

**\$50 each** per plot, per household, per calendar year, payable in advance. This helps offset the cost of water and supplies to sustain the garden.

Payment to Calvin Presbyterian Church can be by cash or check, or online by debit or credit.

Go to <http://www.calvinpc.org/facility-rental/>.

### **Garden Management:**

We are a community garden managed by each season's gardeners, under the supervision of Calvin Hospitality/Facility Director. Gardeners can expect to work their own plots in the garden either individually or in small scheduled work parties during the active garden season.

### **Problems or Conflicts:**

Any issues that arise should be brought to the attention of the Hospitality/Facility Director. Contact info above.

### **Visibility and Interaction:**

One of our goals is to be a model for the neighborhood, encouraging organic gardening and sustainable living, so we encourage gardeners to engage in friendly interaction with curious neighbors and people walking by.

### **Organic Community Garden Policies**

1. **Security:** Calvin Church does not provide security for this visible and easily accessible location. Please be accountable for garden as a whole and your own tools. Garden tools will be available for use on scheduled work days.
2. **Awareness:** As a member of the garden, please help us monitor what is happening in garden and report any suspected theft or vandalism.
3. **Organic purity:** Use of any pesticides, herbicides or other chemical garden products is prohibited in this organic community garden.
4. **Volunteer:** As a member of the garden, each gardener is expected to volunteer during the season to help maintain the garden as a whole.
5. **Smoking:** Smoking is prohibited in the garden and within 25 feet of it.
6. **Alcohol:** Alcohol consumption is prohibited on the entire Calvin Church grounds.
7. **Dogs:** Dogs are not allowed in the garden or within 25 feet of it, unless it is a registered service animal.

- 8. **Minors:** Children and teens are encouraged to work in the garden but must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- 9. **Water:** Water is a precious and necessary resource for the garden. We do not want to waste it. There are 2 water faucets within the garden. (We might be moving to an automatic system.)  
 ALWAYS COMPLETELY TURN OFF THE WATER before leaving the garden.  
 PLEASE DO NOT leave water running unattended for any reason.  
 Most of the garden beds have an automatic drip system.
- 10. **Vehicles:** Vehicles may be parked in the Calvin parking lot. PLEASE, NO VEHICLES on the grounds around the garden without permission from Calvin Staff.

**List additional household gardeners who will be involved. Contact info and signature required for each.**

Name	Phone	Email	Signature
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**Liability Waiver**

I understand that neither Calvin Presbyterian Church is responsible for my actions or the actions of other gardeners. I release any claims, suits, and rights of recovery against the above-mentioned persons and organizations, their officials, members, and all their agents, including but not limited to any claim arising from or relating to bodily injury, death, loss or damage to property, or other harmful consequences resulting from my voluntary participation in this activity.

**Member Commitment**

As a member of the Calvin Organic Community Garden for 2026, I have read and understood the rules of this garden and will abide by them, including:

A) I pledge that I will not use any pesticides, herbicides or other chemical products in this garden. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

B) I understand the expectation to volunteer during this year to benefit the garden as a whole and pledge to contribute to the extent I am able. \_\_\_\_\_ (initials)

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

*When your application and payment are received and accepted, you will receive an email from the Calvin Community Garden Manager.*

Thank you for being part of our community. We are pleased to be partnering with you to **Build Community Through Gardens!**