

NEXT STEP TRANSITION CENTER, LLC

229 East Vaughan Lane

Deer Park, TX 77536

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Next Step Transition Center Community Garden

Throughout the past year, we have seen unprecedented changes to our daily life and a dramatic increase in food insecurity throughout the country. It is so important to us at

Next Step to make an impact, not only on the lives of our young adults, but our community as a whole. Join us in addressing food insecurity in our area by helping us create a community garden!

We would love for you to help us create our garden through donating supplies or becoming a volunteer! We will supply the garden bed, but we need help to fill the garden. You can supply soil, seeds, plant starts, watering cans, or anything you think we may need to begin! Our next steppers will spend time each day tending to the garden, where they will learn hands-on independent living skills. Volunteers, like yourself, will have the opportunity to work in the garden between the hours of 9 AM and 3 PM Monday to Friday or on Weekends. All of the produce grown in our garden will be available to our young adults, volunteers, and those in need in our community.

Would you like to support us in our endeavor or become a volunteer? Read over, sign, and return the attached community garden agreement. We would like to begin our garden in April. If you would like to join us in making this garden a reality, please send in your signed agreement as soon as you can!

Thank you as always for your support! We can't wait to begin this next endeavor with all of you!

Warm Regards,

Next Step Transition Center Team

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Community Garden Agreement

Participant Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Participant Email: _____

Plants you plan to grow: _____

Volunteer Date/Time (Please place a check for the time and day you would like to volunteer. We understand this may change, we would just like an idea of the volunteer schedule)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9-11 AM	9-11 AM	9-11 AM	9-11 AM	9-11 AM	9-11 AM	9-11 AM
12-3 PM	12-3 PM	12-3 PM	12-3 PM	12-3 PM	12-3 PM	12-3 PM

By signing this agreement, I understand and agree to all policies put in place by Next Step Transition Center.

By signing this, I agree to the following policies:

- I will pay a fee of \$25 yearly to help cover garden expenses or provide \$25 worth of supplies including but not limited to soil, plants, fertilizer, ect.
- I will keep trash and litter cleaned from the plot, as well as from adjacent pathways and fences
- I will participate in garden clean-up events
- I agree to volunteer 5 hours per month toward community gardening efforts. (include a list of volunteer tasks which your garden needs).
- I understand that the community garden will be maintained by volunteers as well as young adults who attend Next Step Transition Center.
- I understand that all produce grown in the garden is available to volunteers, young adults, and those in need in our community.
- I will not bring pets to the garden
- I understand that neither the garden group nor owners of the land are responsible for my actions.

I THEREFORE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE GARDEN GROUP, OWNERS, ALL VOLUNTEER AND ALL PARTICIPANTS OF THE LAND FOR ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, DAMAGE, LOSS OR COST THAT OCCURS IN CONNECTION WITH USE OF THE GARDEN BY ME OR ANY OF MY GUESTS.

Printed Name Date

Signature Date

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Supply Needs/ Volunteer Tasks

Supply Needs

- Soil
- Seeds
- Plant Starts
- Watering Cans
- Gloves
- Small Shovels

Volunteer Tasks

- Set up garden bed
- Weed
- Water
- Pick up litter; sweep perimeter
- Weed the path and between plots
- Overturn anything that will collect water so we can control mosquitos