## Campbell County Community Garden

# Come Grow With Us!!



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**Campbell County Master Gardeners** 

### How can I get a plot?

You may pick up an application at the Extension Office located at 412 S. Gillette Ave or call 682-7281 for more information. Applications are due & plots are awarded in April.

## When is the Community Garden active?

Gardening activities will be planned around the weather!! Raised beds can be started in early April and go through December. Regular planting usually begins in early May with harvesting in September. The garden is usually empty and plowed by the end of October.

### How can I help?

Donations for labor (Spring and Fall site preparation, rototilling, etc.) and materials including seeds, fertilizer, garden tools, etc. are always needed and welcome. A complete list of items needed is available through the Campbell County Master Gardeners.

### What is a Community Garden?

Community Gardens enable people to grow nutritious food, save money and build self-esteem. Other benefits include: pesticide free produce, physical exercise, a heightened appreciation of the earth, increased cooperation skills, a better sense of community, as well as the therapeutic value of gardening. Our Community Garden is a garden plot used to provide a common area for local citizens to garden.

### Where is the Community Garden?

Approximately one acre of land is leased for a nominal fee from the County Commissioners. The Community Garden is located at the intersection of Rohan and First Street, down by the Rockpile Community Center and new Fire Station.

### **How does the Community Garden Work?**

The Campbell County Community Garden is jointly sponsored by University of Wyoming Extension Office and the Campbell County Master Gardeners. Plots measure 400 square feet with half plots (200 square feet) available. Participants plant, cultivate, harvest and provide all care of their garden plot.

A Master Gardener is assigned to each plot holder to help with advice and assistance if needed. A minimal fee is charged initially to cover costs such as water and tools. Many seeds and plants are donated by the Master Gardeners and local businesses for plot holders use. What is harvested belongs to each plot holder. The produce may by eaten, canned, shared or sold at the Farmers' Market. Monthly meetings are held in the garden to answer questions, solve problems and have fun.

One regular plot can produce up to and around \$500 worth of produce in a summer at supermarket prices -- a raised bed can produce much more! Home grown tastes SO MUCH BETTER!!!

### Who can participate?

Applications are accepted from any community member. First priority for awarding plots is need. Single families, low-income, senior citizens, people with limited garden space have a priority up to the initial deadline. Available plots after this date may be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. Left over plots are awarded to those requesting a second plot through a lottery process.

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