

P-PATCH COMMUNITY GARDENING PROGRAM

HOW THE INTEREST LIST WORKS?

The interest list is for people wanting to design, build or garden in a P-Patch. To sign up as a P-Patch participant, call 206-684-0264; email p-patch.don@seattle.gov or sign up on-line <http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/ppatch/signupPpatch.htm>

- Individuals are placed on the requested list/s by date of first request.
- Individuals must be City of Seattle residents. Exceptions are made for those non-Seattle residents who live near gardens on the edge of the city limits; however, City of Seattle residents have priority. No exceptions are made for gardens located on Department of Parks and Recreation property.
- Individuals may request to be placed on up to two (2) P-Patch interest lists, listing them in order of preference.
- Individuals on interest lists are contacted every fall for continued interest. If a potential P-Patch gardener does not reply, they will be removed from the interest lists. Once removed, gardeners have one year to request reinstatement at their original date.
- Individuals will only be assigned space at one P-Patch.
- Individuals who ask to be removed from the list or who do not respond when contacted for a plot offer will be deleted from the Interest list.
- Individuals who decline a plot offer more than twice in a single garden are removed from that garden's interest list automatically.

Plots cannot automatically be transferred to co-gardeners. To become the assigned gardener, a co-gardener must have gardened long enough that they would have been assigned a plot had they been on the interest list.

While you're waiting for a P-Patch community garden:

With the huge and growing interest in gardening and urban agriculture, you must wait awhile before getting a community garden plot. Some of the following websites may help get you gardening sooner:

Many people want to get their hands in the soil quickly, so watch the following groups for opportunities while you wait for a P-Patch plot.

[Urban Farm Hub](#) compiles an amazing amount of urban agriculture-related news.

[Solid Ground- Lettuce Link](#) program operates an urban farm in South Park Seattle where neighbors grow produce for themselves and their communities.

[Tilth Alliance](#) works to build an ecologically sound, economically viable and socially equitable food system.

[Alleycat Acres](#) is an urban farm collective that "transforms vacant spaces to create a network of sustainable urban farms that reconnect people to food while helping to increase food security on a community level."

[City Fruit](#) works neighborhood by neighborhood to help residential fruit tree owners grow healthy fruit to harvest and use what they can and to share what they don't need.

Seattle Department of Transportation allows gardening on planting strips with a simple permit. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)

Community members on Beacon Hill are working to design, plant, and grow the [Beacon Food Forest](#) - an edible urban forest garden that inspires the community to gather together, grow its own food, and rehabilitate our local ecosystem. They are looking for Beacon Hill community members, local institutions and citywide volunteers to participate.