

SAUBLE TOWNSHIP
8906 W. 6 Mile RD
Irons, MI 49644
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SAUBLE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY GARDEN

In the spring of 2016, Sauble Township established a Community Garden partially funded by a grant from the Lake County Community Foundation and Great Lakes Energy. Our community garden promotes healthy eating habits, encourages family bonding, and instills a spirit of giving among our residents.

Excess produce is donated to the Bread of Life food pantry in Baldwin. Residents and board members transport the harvest from the garden to the food pantry in Baldwin. We plant many rows of corn in the unused plots that result in donation of many dozen ears of corn to the food pantry. Our goal is to increase our donations and become more intentional and organized.

The Community Garden is located on 5 Mile RD across from Leisure Time Campground. The Community Garden is fenced with a combination lock, has its own well with spigots and designated plots. At this time you will need to provide your own tools.

COMMUNITY GARDEN GUIDELINES – *please read and keep for reference*

1. Individual garden plots are \$10.00 each per year. Previous year gardeners will have preference first. Assignments to new gardeners on first come first served basis, upon payment of garden plot fee.
2. Each gardener will be given the lock combination to the gates of the garden once garden plot fee is paid and plot is assigned. Please keep garden gate locked at all times.
3. **Each gardener is responsible for the ongoing regular maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are the responsibility of the gardeners.**
4. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots. The Community Garden's water is non-potable (**not for consuming**) and is only to be used on the plots. Water spigots must be securely turned off after every use and hoses wrapped and secured.
5. Children are welcome in the garden but must be accompanied by an adult and must be supervised at all times. All guests brought into the Community Garden are the responsibility of the gardener.
6. The Garden is rototilled at the beginning and end of each season by a Sauble Township volunteer. At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving it as they found it in the spring.
7. **Gardeners are asked to donate any excess produce as it is harvested.** There will be a box or bin at the garden for excess produce to be donated. **OR YOU MAY DONATE 1-2 PLANTS.** One of the garden volunteers will transport donations each Wednesday to the **Bread of Life Food Pantry** in Baldwin. All donations are greatly appreciated! .
8. **The following are prohibited in the Community Garden:**
 - a. No plants considered contraband under state or federal law are allowed within the Community Garden.
 - b. No alcohol, chewing tobacco, or smoking of any kind is allowed on the premises.
 - c. No firearms are allowed on the premises.
 - d. No pets are allowed on the premises.

Please read over these guidelines before you begin your garden. Please sign the Sauble Township Community Garden Application form indicating you have received a copy of these guidelines.

\$10.00 paid	Rec'd by:	Plot #		Date:	
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APPLICATION

Please Print

Completed by Applicant:

Date:		Garden season:	202__
Name of Gardener:			
Address:			
Phone:			
Email:			
<i>I have received a copy of the Sauble Township Community Garden Guidelines:</i>	<i>(Gardener Signature)</i>		

Completed by Township:

\$10.00 Garden Plot Fee Paid:	
Plot # Assigned:	
Payment Received by: <i>(Sauble Township Board Member)</i>	

Thank you for your participation in our Community Garden experience and for your donations of excess harvest for the food pantry in Baldwin, Michigan.

HAPPY GARDENING!