



## **YIMBY: Sample Garden Sharing Arrangement**

Source: The Stop Community Food Centre

*Establishing a Garden Sharing Arrangement is an important aspect of a successful garden march. This is an example of the type of written agreement that The Stop encourages its YIMBY participants to create.*

Garden sharing arrangement between Joe Schmoe and Liz Curran

### **Time Considerations**

Liz can enter the backyard garden space through the side gate between the hours of 8 am and 9 pm. If something comes up that will limit her access to the space (for example a party/event), Joe will give Liz a call to let her know. Liz is the only person that will access the space to garden, and will let Joe know first before anyone else comes into the space.

### **Garden Work**

Liz will complete the majority of the garden work, Joe helping out if he has time. They will share the watering responsibilities, communicating with each other about when it needs to be done.

### **Tool Considerations**

Liz can access the shovels and hand tools which are kept in the back shed. She will bring any other tools that are needed, or borrow them from the tool lending library at The Green Barn.

### **Soil Considerations**

Joe will buy 7 bags of triple mix to add to the existing soil in their vegetable growing area. *(This is enough to incorporate 2 inches over their 4 x 10 ft garden)*

### **What types of amendments or additives are acceptable?**

Liz will only use organic fertilizers and pest control methods, bringing these herself.

### **Seeds / Transplants**

Some seedlings will be provided from the Green Barn in the spring. Liz will raise some on her windowsill, and buy other seeds to plant directly in the garden.

### **How will decisions be made about what is grown?**

Liz and Joe will make a list of what vegetables and herbs they want to grow. Liz is going to make a drawing of what will be planted where and show it to Joe for his input.

### **Water Considerations**

Liz can use the hose at the side of the house to water the garden. She will take the lead on making sure it's watered, with Joe offering to help out especially during dry periods or if Liz is away.

### **Harvest Considerations**

Harvest will be shared roughly 70% to Liz, 30% to Joe. Surplus produce will be donated to The Stop.

### **Privacy and Security Considerations**

Liz will ask Joe before anyone other than her enters the garden. She can use the bathroom if Joe is home. (If not, there is a Tim Hortons down the street ☺ )

Liz and Joe's emergency contact info is \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_.

*If circumstances change that affect any of the above items, Liz and Joe will let each other know and reflect those changes in their arrangement.*