



Thornton Community Gardens



Grow Food. Build Community. Feed Thornton

Community gardens help Thornton residents access fresh fruits and veggies while strengthening neighborhood connections. Last year, local gardens donated a total combined 1,425 pounds of produce to food banks serving Thornton families.

Be a part of the cause this year and register your garden by May 1, 2026!

We're here to help

Participants will receive:

A water bill credit based on your garden's size for months April-September.

You may also be eligible to receive a "Gardening Starter Kit":

- 🌱 Seeds/seedlings
- 🌱 Volunteer recruitment support
- 🌱 Tools and garden bed building/repair assistance
- 🌱 Guidance from CSU Extension Master Gardeners
- 🌱 City recognition on website/map
- 🌱 Garden sign: "Thornton Community Food Garden Partner" (Community Connections, 720-977-5800)

Who can host a garden:

- 🌱 Thornton Churches, Schools, HOAs, Nonprofits, Health facilities
- 🌱 Others with lots that are not zoned single-family use and that will open the garden to any Thornton resident that wants to participate.

We ask that you are willing to share at least 20% of your harvest with your neighbors that visit food banks.

Visit goCOT.net/citycode for more information about Thornton's gardening and beehive ordinances Section 18-183 and Section 6-101.



Contact Us

- Call:** 720-977-5800
- Email:** Connections@ThorntonCO.gov
- Location:** 9471 Dorothy Blvd., Thornton 80229
- Web:** goCOT.net/Connections



2026 Thornton Community Garden Registration and Renewal Form

Name of Community Garden: _____

Name of Property Owner: _____

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Institution's E-mail: _____ Institution's Phone: _____

Community Garden Leader: _____

Leader's E-mail: _____ Leader's Phone: _____

Site Details:

Is the garden open to the public? Yes No

What is the size of the garden (sq ft)? _____

When was the garden established or when will it be established? _____

How many plots are/will be developed? _____

Do you plan to keep a beehive on the property? Yes No

- Is there or will there be a fence, retaining wall, or enclosure around the garden? Yes No
- What are the measurements of the existing/proposed fence, retaining wall, or enclosure? _____

Produce Donations:

Please select which food bank(s) your community garden will donate to. The food bank(s) must serve Thornton residents but are not required to be in Thornton. This list is not exhaustive:

Thornton Community Food Bank (8990 York St.)

Regis University Food Pantry (9371 Wigham Street)

New Hope Christian Church Food Bank (8992 Washington St)

Holy Cross Pantry (9371 Wigham St)

HCA HealthONE Mountain Ridge (9065 Grant St)

Other Food Bank (please list):

By signing, I acknowledge that I have read this form, and I am the property owner. I agree to follow the city's Ordinances related to community gardens. I understand that only gardens that are located within the city limits, adhere to city ordinances, are open to any Thornton residents who want to garden, and contribute an estimated 20% of the total harvest to area food banks/pantries that serve Thornton residents, are eligible for water credits from the city of Thornton. I understand that the garden must report on food donated at the end of the season.

Signature of Property Owner _____ Date _____

Print Name and Title _____

See the front side of this form for how to submit.

