



Guidelines for planting:

Here's a few gardening guidelines to keep your garden growing beautiful all season long!

- Take into account the amount of sunlight available at each site, and during different times of the day - consider the plant species, as required.
- Consider the mature height of your plants at peak growth, during the season- so that the area doesn't become over-grown and your personalized sign is always visible.
- Avoid invasive plant species.
- Consider plants that are drought resistant, so frequent watering is not necessary.
- Evaluate how much care and is required for your selected plant species- high maintenance, or low maintenance...
- Do your plants resist weeds well? Avoid toxic chemicals.
- Bring tools and watering equipment. Water is available onsite.

FAQ

(Frequently Asked Questions)

- When volunteers are 15 years of age or younger, the volunteer group shall furnish adequate supervision by one or more adults. One adult for every 5 youth is recommended.
- All members shall sign a waiver form, and youth 15 years and younger shall have a parent sign the liability release form.
- The volunteer/group shall maintain the site for the entire growing season, unless other arrangements are made with the Lincoln Park Zoo, or another volunteer member.

- Gardens can be accessed during open Zoo

Hours: *(Memorial Day through Labor Day)*

Monday 7AM-7PM

Tuesday 7AM-7PM

Wednesday 7AM-7PM

Thursday 7AM-7PM

Friday 7AM-7PM

Saturday 7AM-7PM

Sunday 7AM-7PM

Other Volunteer Opportunities:

- Butterfly Garden Project
- Lion bubbler refurbishment.
- Volunteer for special events.
- Volunteer for boards and committees.
- Donations are always accepted!

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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Your Community.

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Adopt-a-Garden

Summer is a great time to get involved with your community!

Adopt-a-Garden is a program where volunteer's plant and care for a flower bed, in order to help beautify the Zoo!



Are you hungry for an opportunity to help your community?

Here is a great idea...

Lincoln Park Zoo has opportunities this summer for you, your family, or your organization to Adopt-A-Garden on the zoo grounds.

The program gives you a way to show pride in your community!

Maintaining a garden is an easy, bonding/team building project that takes minimal financial commitment and pays off big. The garden requires only a small amount of time to plant, weed, water, and maintain depending on your planting choices.

Who Can Adopt?

Anyone! Families, local community organizations, clubs, businesses, and even individuals (*individuals must be 18 or older*).

To show our appreciation, Parks and Recreation will post a sign at your adopted garden, recognizing you, your family, or your organization's effort!

How Does it work?

Volunteer Participants will be responsible for planting the garden, weeding, watering and maintaining it throughout the growing season-including spring and fall bed clean up.

Volunteer agreements can be renewed annually.

Cost of plants will be at the volunteer's expense or plants can be brought in from volunteers' own gardens. Adopt-A-Garden Volunteers will receive a discount for purchasing plants from Hartman's Towne & Country Greenhouse and at Green Acres Lawn & Garden Center. The cost of the plants may be tax deductible.

Don't have a **green thumb**? Do not worry! Master Gardeners of Manitowoc County has volunteered their time to answer questions on general gardening, plant diseases, insect and



weed problems, soil sampling, as well as a wealth of other topics including:

- Basic horticulture education
- Appropriate plants for garden sites
- Providing a list of recommended plants

Master Gardener Volunteers are trained in horticulture through the University of Wisconsin Extension. In return for their training, Master Gardeners volunteer in horticulture programs and projects to enhance the community. Master Gardeners' has volunteered to hold an orientation at the Zoo on June 2nd 2018, at 10am.

Next steps to "officially" Adopt-A-Garden...

- First, submit your application and your Volunteer waiver to the Parks and Recreation Dept. Applications & waivers can be picked up in person at the Rec Office at 3330 Custer St. in Manitowoc, or email: dlarson@manitowoc.org.
- If approved, you will receive notification via phone or email, and a time will be setup to meet to discuss your garden location and plan.