



## Hale Page Diamond Lake (HPDL) Triangle Community Garden

### What is the Community Garden?

The HPDL Triangle Community Garden was established in 2018 through the City of Minneapolis [Garden Lease program](#). The garden is located on 50th Street between 10th and 11th Avenues. The [HPDL Community Association](#) leases this vacant city plot, and a group of local residents manages the garden. If you have questions about this garden or the seed library, you can contact: [hpdl.garden@gmail.com](mailto:hpdl.garden@gmail.com)

### What is the Little Free Seed Library?

This library is available to make it easier for residents to try gardening and to try growing new types of produce and native plants without purchasing bulk seed packets.

- Seeds are free for anyone to use!
- Donations are welcome.
- The gardening books are available for 3 day loans only. Please return books!

### How is the space divided for community use?

The Garden Lease program allows each garden to create a plan for managing the garden space. The HPDL garden is unique because the city plot was in use as an informal garden for several decades and also recognized as a garden by the city Right of Way Department before transitioning to the community garden program. This garden plan allowed the group of existing gardeners to continue using the garden and to develop new beds in approved areas.

### Is space available for new gardeners?

Currently, the garden is shared by 6 households, and all garden beds are in use. You can contact [hpdl.garden@gmail.com](mailto:hpdl.garden@gmail.com) to express an interest in gardening if a space were to come available. Please note, there is no public or shared water source for the garden. All gardeners currently access residential water supplies or rain barrels from their nearby homes.

### Can visitors look at the gardens?

Yes! We hope you will enjoy this community space, and we hope this space acts as an inspiration for more urban gardening. However, please do not enter fenced garden plots. Certain areas along the alley to the east and the driveway to the west are not part of the garden and are designated as garage access. Vehicles may pull into these areas.

### Do other local gardens have space available?

The city does not maintain an official tracker for available plots. You can research online for existing gardens nearby. The Minneapolis Community Gardeners [forum](#) occasionally will post available plots. Unfortunately, the Minneapolis Garden Lease program is infrequently used in south Minneapolis because there are very few vacant lots. However, the Minneapolis Park Board has created a [new program](#) to allow community garden sites on city parks. A small number of gardens have been developed and residents can apply for a plot or join a waitlist. The policy also allows gardener groups to organize and apply to create new gardens.

### How do I help support the garden?

You can participate in the free seed library. Seeds are free and donations are welcome. You can donate money to HPDL Community Organization, a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. You can donate to HPDL for general funding or specifically for the garden or seed library. HPDL has a page on the [Give MN](#) donation system.