





## Alpharetta Arboretum Community Garden

### Agriculture and Alpharetta

Come...Visit the Alpharetta Community Garden and see an active organic community garden at work! The Alpharetta Community Garden (ACG) at Wills Park is an organic educational garden where Alpharetta volunteer gardeners come together to learn, teach and share their gardening experience with each other, the community and visitors on how to grow and eat healthy fresh and delicious organic vegetables, herbs and fruits on a vear-round basis.

**LEARN** how to start your own community garden for your local community or how to start your own garden in your backyard, patio or deck.

RECEIVE educational gardening resources on raised garden beds, container gardens, seasonal growing calendar, garden composting, cooking vegetables and delicious garden recipes.

**EXPLORE** a wide variety of ripe vegetables growing from seedlings and plants in 42 garden beds.

SMELL, TOUCH, TASTE a sampling of fresh herbs and ripe crisp vegetables and fruits (based on availability and season).

**SEE and HEAR** birds chirping, eating berries and catching worms; see and hear bees,

birds and butterflies buzzing, pollinating and gathering on garden flowers.

**EXPERIENCE** the garden bursting with beautiful colors... red ripe tomatoes, purple eggplant, green lettuce, okra, cucumbers, white onions and orange carrots.

**FEEL** the calm and tranquility that being in a garden and outdoors in nature brings.

This is a year-round garden and plantings are done by season. You can expect to see garlic in the winter; carrots, lettuce, snap and snow peas, and radishes in spring; tomatoes, cucumbers, beans, cantaloupe, corn, eggplant, okra, peppers, blueberries and raspberries in summer; and beets, broccoli, cabbage, collards, kale, lettuce, mustard, peas, radish, spinach and turnips in fall.





#### **Community Service Projects**

Local students from the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts have supported the community garden with fund raisers, plantings and building projects. Milton High School students have completed several science experiments in the garden plots. The ACG welcomes service and business groups interested in doing a service project for the garden.

#### Alpharetta Arboretum

The Alpharetta Community Garden is one of the projects of the Alpharetta Arboretum Inc., a non-profit corporation that includes arboretums at Wills Park, Cogburn Road Park, Brooke Street Park and Webb Bridge Park. These arboretums function as living museums, identifying native Georgia trees as well as non-native trees that grow well in Alpharetta. The Community Garden is self-sustaining and maintained exclusively by volunteer efforts with 100% of fundraising efforts going back to maintain the garden.

### Interested in a garden tour?

For garden tour details, contact us at alpharettacommunitygarden.org.

Like **Alpharetta Community Garden on** Facebook!







The mission of Alpharetta Arboretum, Inc. is to connect people to nature for their education and enjoyment. We engage the community through horticultural demonstration, ecological education and the stewardship of botanically rich places.



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