

June 28, 2021

Dear Keeseville Community Member,

We are excited to reveal the beginnings of a community garden in downtown Keeseville and are asking for your support to help make it a success!

Our hope is that this garden will provide households in the area facing food insecurity with free, seasonal and nearby vegetables. We also want to make this garden welcoming to all, regardless of need, as a community-building space. The design will be accessible with wide gravel paths and frames on the garden beds. We see this garden as an opportunity to engage multiple sectors of the community.

We have many community members already offering their support of this project. So far, we have:

- **Permission to use a plot of land** between Adirondack Hardware & Rental and Peru Federal Credit Union, generously offered for use by Barbara Davidson
- Access to a water supply courtesy of Roger Long of Adirondack Hardware & Rental
- Lumber for the garden beds from Dave Warner of Wood Grain Sawmill.

We are so grateful for this support, but **we are still in need of a few more things.** We're looking for your help to make this project thrive. In the following pages you will find our garden vision and a wish list filled with supplies and volunteer help needed to achieve this goal. Anything you can offer to support this project will be greatly appreciated!

With your help, we can aid households right here in our community to gain access to healthy and fresh vegetables with the creation of the Keeseville Community Garden.

Please contact me for any donation or volunteer inquiries, along with questions regarding the project. Kim Gonzalez Text or call: (845) 800-4663 Email: <u>kimgonzalez@adkaction.com</u>

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# **Current Empty Lot: Location & Overview**



Site location between Adirondack Hardware & Rental and Peru Federal Credit Union. It is accessible via the large municipal lot on Route 9 and the lower lot behind Adirondack Hardware & Rental.



Current site state and location. Plans to mow the area in preparation for the garden are in motion.



Municipal parking lot access point on Route 9. Directly in front of community garden site.



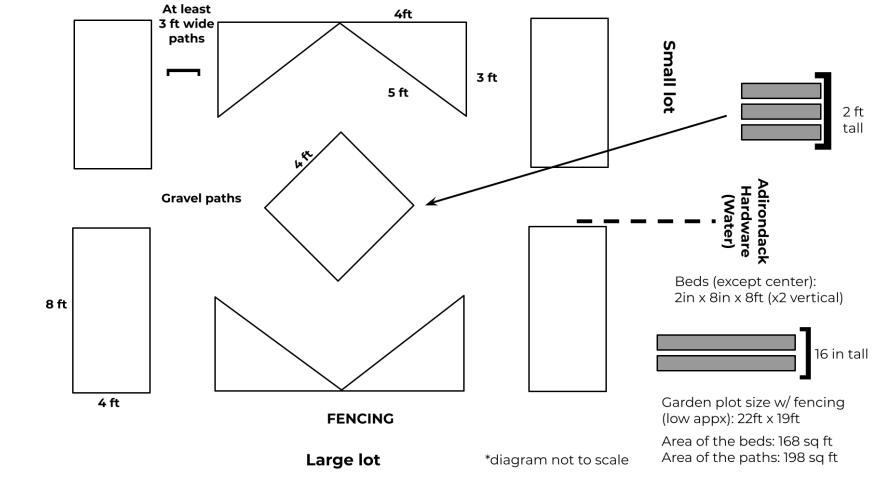
Side access parking lot off of Vine St.



Garden design idea in picture. Paths will be made of gravel and beds will be ordered differently. Fence will be attached to beds as shown in image.



More detailed look at desired fencing type (against beds).



Map Idea of Community Garden

Bank

# Community Garden Supplies Wish List

We are accepting used and new items from this list. To coordinate pick-up or drop off of an item, please contact Kim Gonzalez: <u>kimgonzalez@adkaction.org</u>

You can view the items we need at <u>https://www.myregistry.com/giftlist/keesevillegarden</u>, but we encourage you to shop locally at Adirondack Hardware if you are able!

Beds

- Compost & soil (9.33 cubic yards of soil, 1.5 cubic yards of compost)
- Frames for raised beds
- Landscaping fabric & fabric garden staples
- Gravel, #2 (1.90 cubic yards)

#### Paths

- Gravel, #1 (.90 cubic yards)
- Landscaping fabric & fabric garden staples

## Tools

- Hand rake (cultivating tool)
- Gloves
- Wheelbarrow
- Drum composter
- Pruners
- Shovels (2-3)
- Hoe
- Sprinkler system
- Rebar
- Burlap
- Screws
- ~7 ft tall deer fencing material to cover ~60 ft
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Volunteer Time/Skills needed

- Help building raised beds
  - Frame on raised beds/ brackets on inside
- Help planting vegetables

## **Desired Timeline**

June 28- July 12: Gather supplies, build raised beds July 12-16: Space preparation and installation July 16-22: Planting