## **VISITING OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN**



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 Wear long sleeves, long pants, and shoes with socks.



Drink clean water, not irrigation water.



 Keep kids and pets away from baits and pellets.



Wash your hands well after gardening.



 Wash vegetables, greens, and fruits under running water.



 Leave your gardening shoes at the door when you come home.

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## **PEST CONTROL**

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- If you use a pesticide, even an organic one, always read the entire label and follow it.
- Pick a time when the garden won't be busy for a while. This will allow the plants to dry, and dusts to settle.
- Pay attention to weather conditions and take care to stay on target.
- Do not spray or treat pots that you are not managing.
- Keep insecticides away from blooming plants (even weeds) because pollinators will be visiting.
- Keep sprays and pellets in their original containers and out of children's reach.
- Even homemade sprays can be toxic.

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