

# JUNE 2022

## COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWSLETTER



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Have you stopped by the free table, located in the gazebo in the community garden? Come on by this weekend, if you haven't yet. There will be swiss chard & kale starts donated by Native Hill Farm in Fort Collins. If you still need plants for your garden or have extras to share, there are lots of plant swaps and giveaways coming up this month around Northern Colorado. For more info on upcoming plant swaps, see page 2. There are tentative plans for a garden volunteer workday at the end of June. I will keep you posted.

If you have seasonal recipes, garden photos, shout outs for community members or gardening tidbits you'd like to share with the community garden, please send them my way for upcoming newsletters.

Happy Gardening!

Emma Pett, Community Garden Coordinator



### Chive Blossom Vinegar

If you are looking for a way to preserve the spring time essence of your chives, chive blossom vinegar is quick & easy. Pack a clean glass jar or bottle with rinsed chive blossoms and then fill the rest of the jar with warm rice or white wine vinegar.

Put parchment paper between the metal jar lid & and the vinegar to prevent rusting. Let your infusion sit in a cool, dark area for month or longer before using. Infusions will get stronger the longer they are left to sit. Chive blossom vinegar can be added to salad dressing, pizza, marinades & is a great gift.

Recipe/Photo Credit: Grant Farms

### Food Bank Donations

Mark, in plots 21 and 24, will be managing donations from community gardeners to the food bank in Longmont this summer. He will be accepting donations starting mid-June when more produce is ready. I will send out a reminder email before pickups begin. You can leave food bank donations in the crate labeled "Food Bank Donations" located in the red gazebo. Donations will be picked up on Wednesdays. If you are not able to drop off on or before Wednesday, let me or Mark know and we can try to make other arrangements.





**Kas's flower garden.**

**The newly planted food  
pantry garden.**



**Hops reaching skyward.**

## Upcoming Plant Swaps & Giveaways

### Boulder Public Library Plant Exchange

When: Saturday, June 4th, 1 PM-2:30 PM

Where: Boulder Public Library: Meadows Branch, 4800 Baseline Rd. Boulder, CO

Bringing seedlings is encouraged but not required. Consider potting up your unwanted seedlings or contact us to coordinate help in salvaging your extras! Interested in volunteering? Please contact Jennifer Frazer at [ranatrafusca@yahoo.com](mailto:ranatrafusca@yahoo.com) for more information.

### Denver Native Plant Swap and Giveaway

When: June 12, 2022 10 AM - 1 PM

Where: Earthlinks, 2746 W. 13th Ave. Denver, CO

Come 'shop' for free plants & bring your native plants to share! Bring a friend...or two! Need help potting up unwanted seedlings or want to volunteer? Contact Peggy Hanson: [pegshanson@gmail.com](mailto:pegshanson@gmail.com)

### Fort Collins Garden Party with the Pollinator Plant Swap & Giveaway

When: , June 18th, 9 AM - 12 PM

Where: Fort Collins City Hall, 300 Laporte Ave. Fort Collins, CO

Dig up, divide and donate pollinator plants grown free of chemicals from your garden. No plants to swap? No problem! You do not need to donate to take plants home. Questions, donations or want to volunteer? Email: [noco@peopleandpollinators.org](mailto:noco@peopleandpollinators.org)

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