



Thirteen Ways Gardeners Can Help the Environment



The Maynard Community Gardeners invite you to...

Enjoy

- MapleBrook Park, at the corner of Summer and Maple Streets
- Downtown flower buckets
- “Welcome to Maynard” planters at town lines

Support

- Shop our plant sale on May 22, 2010, 9am-noon at MapleBrook Park
- Make a donation to support our town beautification efforts

Join

- Become a member! New members are always welcome – dues are only \$20 a year

1. Growing our own food — the “locaest” food of all
2. Composting — diverting waste from landfills
3. Mulching to reduce the need for watering
4. Building up and improving the soil
5. Keeping the local environment healthier by using organic pesticides and fertilizers
6. Taking care of bees and other pollinators by planting flowers they like
7. Planting native plants that are adapted to our environment
8. Planting drought-resistant plants to save water
9. Reducing the amount of lawn grass to improve biodiversity in our neighborhoods and reducing the need for polluting lawnmowers
10. Using fewer polluting yard machines (like leaf blowers) and getting more exercise by using human-powered tools (like rakes) instead
11. Using water-permeable hardscape or flowers and foliage grasses to reduce runoff
12. Harvesting rainwater to conserve water use
13. Nurturing and sustaining our connection to nature by spending time outdoors



MCG promotes responsible gardening practices, including removal of invasive plants and minimal or no use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides .

Visit www.maynardgardeners.org for more information