

Three Springs Community Awareness

Community spaces: Weekly chores will be assigned (or can be volunteered for) within community buildings. Please clean up after yourself. This includes doing your dishes, tidying the bathroom, and keeping personal items out of the community spaces. Leave the shared community spaces cleaner than when you arrived. There is a "lost and found" box in the closet in the kitchen house where left-out items are placed. There are bins in the kitchen house for glass, compost material, metal, paper & cardboard, plastic, and landfill (regular trash).

Food: We have at least one communal vegetarian dinner per week. We appreciate everyones participation in cooking and cleaning up. We buy bulk organic vegetarian foods, and grow organic vegetables and fruits. All of which are available to everyone. However, we are not a vegetarian community. The second refrigerator has a list of regularly bought community food items. Foods with someones name on it are personally purchased and are not to be consumed by the community. There are personal labeled shelves and the community food shelves for everyone. Please label and date leftovers which we encourage everyone to eat.

Meetings: The community members have a formal meeting once a week. Interns, work exchange, and apprentices are asked to be present for the beginning of these meetings. This is a time to check-in and discuss your hopes, fears, dreams, complaints, and anything else you would like to bring to the table.

Children: Kids can be a great source of knowledge, information, humor and helpfulness. If you bring children, be aware that there are dangers here, so young ones need to be supervised (see Safety at Three Springs) and their toys and messes cleaned up. All children are expected to be respectful toward each other and fellow community members. If there are any problems, let a parent or other community person know.

Phone: If you answer kitchen or community house phones, be sure to take a detailed message and post it on the cork-board. You should have your own calling card if you intend to use the phone to make long-distance calls, or you can make payment arrangements.

Guests: Please bring it up at a meeting when you are having any guests come to visit you at Three Springs. Let us know when they are expected, how long they will stay, and where they will sleep.

Parking: Please park your car in the guest lot. Do not drive off-road or past the parking lots without permission.

Garden: The garden gates must be kept closed at all times to keep the deer out. Do not walk on beds. Return all tools to the sheds. Ask before harvesting. Do not answer or use the business phone in the garden shed.

Trails: Most trails are for hiking only. Mountain biking is permitted on certain trails seasonally. Fires and smoking are not permitted on the land.