

## **Community Gardens**

Many Davenport residents have been inquiring about Community Gardens, also referred to as Urban Gardens, in Davenport.

There are 2 Garden Growers community gardens that are actively maintained. The gardens are located at Le Claire Heights Park (7<sup>th</sup> and Farnam) and Goose Creek Hollow (9<sup>th</sup> and Ripley). While the City of Davenport's Parks and Recreation Department does some rototilling, empties the compost bins, and fills the water throughout the year; the lowa State University Extension office oversees the rental of the two gardens. The gardeners must provide their own tools and seeds. If you have questions about the availability of Community Gardens please contact Becky Bray at 563-359-7577 or email her at bbray@iastate.edu.

If you are interested in maintaining your own garden, you can contact Nevada Lemke in our Community Planning and Economic Development Department at City Hall. She can research the area surrounding your location to determine if there is any possible land available to be used for a Community Garden. If there is suitable land that is available and can be secured for the purpose of gardening, the City staff is not responsible for maintaining the garden or supplying water or tools. This responsibility will belong to the person or people that are gardening the plot. You can contact Nevada at <a href="Mevada.Lemke@davenportiowa.com">Nevada.Lemke@davenportiowa.com</a> or call her at 563.888.2296.

If you are an individual or organization that already has a Community Garden, and you want to allow interested individuals to access and assist in the maintenance of your existing garden, please contact Nevada Lemke at the email or phone listed above. She can share your information with interested gardeners.