

# Macalester-Groveland Native Garden Award Program, 2017



To encourage the planting of native, low-maintenance vegetation, the Macalester-Groveland Community Council is sponsoring a program to acknowledge and award well-maintained native gardens that are environmentally friendly alternatives to lawns and gardens containing non-native species.

How the program works: The Native Garden program is self-nominating. The following requirements must be met in order to be considered for an award:

- You must be a resident of the Macalester-Groveland neighborhood.
- The garden area must be weed-free and well-maintained.
- You must have a visible house number both on the street and the alley.
- The garden area must be accessible for verification purposes by Environment Committee volunteers.
- At least 50% of the garden area must be in native plants.
- If the garden is on a boulevard, all city regulations must be followed.
- Native gardens that meet all qualifications for Alley Gardens may earn both awards.

If your garden meets all of these criteria, you will receive a durable, rustic award sign your first year of participation and certificates in subsequent years. With your permission, your address will be added to the map of neighborhood native gardens that appears on the Community Council's web site. Each year after your initial award, you will be contacted to verify that you have maintained your native garden and wish to remain in the program. Each year that you participate you will be invited to the annual Alley Garden/Native Garden Award Ceremony in the fall.

Please mail or bring this application to the Community Council office at the Edgumbe Recreation Center, 320 S. Griggs Street, 55105 by **Friday, July 14, 2017** Judging will occur and awards will be distributed during late July into August. If you have any questions, please call the Community Council at (651) 695-4000.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  day  evening  cell

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

- This is a first time nomination**
- I have won a Native Garden Award in the past.**
- I am a past winner and have made significant changes to my native garden or have expanded into new areas.
- I give my consent to have my address published on a neighborhood map to be distributed by the Community Council
- I give my consent to have my garden photographed for possible posting on the Community Council's web site.

Please use the diagram at right to show the approximate location and extent of your native garden area(s). Use the back of this form to list plants. →

