Root 66 Community Garden FoodShare Project Participant Agreement Effective Dates: April 1 – March 31 (annual) Participant Information Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Participation Fees FoodShare Project – \$15/month or \$150/year Includes access to FoodShare plots, participation in garden activities, and the ability to take home what you need while contributing surplus to local food pantries. Payments accepted online at theroot66garden.org/join or by check mailed to: The Root 66 Garden, 1721 N. Palm Ave., Upland, CA 91784

## **Participant Commitments**

- 1. Volunteer Hours: Contribute at least 2 hours per month toward maintaining FoodShare plots, including planting, weeding, watering, or harvesting.
- 2. Food Access: Take home what you need for your household. Remaining produce will be donated to food pantries to support the community.
- 3. Compliance: Follow all garden policies, rules, and guidelines in this agreement and attached exhibits. Failure to comply may result in termination of participation without refund.

4. Respect & Safety: Treat all participants, volunteers, and staff with respect. Children must be supervised at all times. Personal pets are not allowed unless approved service animals.
5. Organic Practices: No synthetic pesticides, herbicides, or chemical fertilizers may be used in FoodShare plots.
Cancellation & Refunds
Participation may be canceled at any time by either party. All fees and donations are non-refundable.
Right to Refuse Participation
The Root 66 Garden reserves the right to refuse participation to any individual whose conduct is harmful or inconsistent with garden policies. Theft, aggression, or harassment will result in immediate removal from the program.
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Dispute Resolution
All disputes must first be addressed informally. If unresolved, disputes will be submitted to binding mediation in San Bernardino County, CA. Participants waive the right to file lawsuits except to enforce a mediation agreement.
Acknowledgment
By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to the terms of this FoodShare Project Participant Agreement.

Participant Signature: Date:
Garden Representative Signature: Date:
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Exhibit A – FoodShare Guidelines
1. Plot Maintenance:
Maintain plots regularly and keep them tidy.
Notify management if you cannot participate for any extended period.
2. Water Use:
Use water responsibly; turn off taps after use.
Irrigation systems should follow garden guidance and schedules.
3. Respect for Others:
Do not harvest from others' plots without permission.
Treat all participants, guests, and volunteers with respect.
4. Prohibited Conduct:
No violence, harassment, drug or alcohol intoxication, theft, or vandalism.
5. End of Participation:
Upon leaving the program, all personal items must be removed promptly.

Exhibit B – Liability Waiver
Participation involves inherent risks including injury, illness, or property damage. By signing, participants assume all risks and release The Root 66 Garden, its staff, volunteers, and affiliates from any liability related to participation in the FoodShare Project.
Participant Signature:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_