

# GARDEN IN A BOX: REUSE AND RECYCLING OF PLANT POTS AND FLATS

## **REUSE**

Reuse your pots in your garden or share them with a friend in need!

Pots and flats should be cleaned and sterilized before each new gardening season to prevent the spread of plant disease. Scrub off dirt and grime with soapy water, and sterilize your plastic pots in one of the following ways:

- o Option 1: Soak in a mixture of 1-part household bleach and 9-parts water for 10 minutes. Rinse and allow to dry.
- o Option 2: Soak in a 3% hydrogen peroxide solution for 20 minutes (the brown bottles commonly found at the drugstore are 3%). Allow to dry.
- o Option 3: Soak in a mixture of 1-part vinegar and 3-parts water for 10 minutes. Rinse and allow to dry.
- o Option 4: Spray with white vinegar, wipe off with a clean rag, rinse and allow to dry.

## **RECYCLE**

If you are no longer using your pots and flats, bring them to one of these locations. Contact companies directly for more details and further instructions.

#### 1. Harlequin's Gardens

4795 N 26th St. Boulder, CO 80301 (303) 939-9403 www.harlequinsgardens.com

#### 3. Gulley Greenhouse & Garden Center

6029 S Shields St. Fort Collins, CO 80526 (970) 223-4769 www.gulleygreenhouse.com

#### 2. City Floral

1440 Kearney St. Denver, CO 80220 (303) 399-1177 www.cityfloralgreenhouse.com

## Your closest Lowe's store!

All Lowe's locations will take your plastic pots and flats for reuse or recycling. Call your local store for more information.

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