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## Community Garden Opportunity for Township Residents Calling All "Green Thumbs": Apply NOW; PLOT-tery on June 1<sup>st</sup>

Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio – May 9, 2011 – The Board of Twinsburg Township Trustees at its May 4, 2011 regular meeting unanimously voted to establish the 2011 Township Community Garden Program. Up to 36 plots, ranging from 10F X 10F to 20F X 20F in size, will be available at the Community Garden, to be located on Township-owned land on the north side of Twinsburg Road, east of Oak Meadow Drive and west of Estate Avenue.

The 2011 Program will provide garden plot opportunities for Township residents, whereby the Township prepares the land, accepts and reviews applications, and assigns plots via a random plot lottery (PLOT-tery), with a 2011 limit of up to one plot per Township household. The only Program requirement is Township residency, and a fee of \$10.00 will be due only if an eligible applicant is assigned and accepts a plot and agrees to abide by Policies and Procedures. Interested Township residents are encouraged to apply soon. Program applications and other information can be found on the Township website, <a href="www.twinsburgtwp.com">www.twinsburgtwp.com</a>, under Departments, Parks, as well as at Township Hall at 1790 Enterprise Parkway, or by calling (330) 425-4497. This information can also be accessed by clicking on the "Community Garden" button on the Township website's home page. Program applications will be received on a rolling basis, with the PLOT-tery to occur on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at Township Hall at 4:00 PM.

With the recent break in weather, clearing, plowing, disking, roto-tilling, and plot marking, as well as installation of a driveway and parking area, will finally be able take place. A sign and bulletin board will be installed, and a water line will be brought in for irrigation purposes.

At the invitation of the Board of Trustees, a Community Garden Volunteer Group, comprised entirely of Township residents, has met for the past few months to review alternatives and options. The Group recently recommended that the Board of Trustees move forward with the Program. Members of the group include Township residents Mary Beth Balogh, Kristen Beason, Elizabeth Brown, Neil DuPan, Steve Humel, Valerie Lumby, Courtnay Mansi, Draper McFarlin, and Rose Singleton. The Board of Trustees sincerely thanks the Group for their efforts thus far and looks forward to continuing Group leadership as the Program finally gets started for 2011.

## **About Twinsburg Township**

Twinsburg Township was founded in 1817, had a population of 2,828 in 2010, and will soon celebrate its bicentennial with great pride. The Township is home to an unparalleled combination of rich history, abundant natural resources, outstanding parks, well-planned neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and top-notch institutions. Whether you're looking for a great place to live or do business, or just a spot to spend a quiet afternoon, you'll find it all right here in Twinsburg Township. So stop by and see us sometime, and if you can't make it in person, please check out <a href="www.twinsburgtwp.com">www.twinsburgtwp.com</a> to get a glimpse of all that Twinsburg Township has to offer. For more information, contact Robert S. Kagler, Township Manager, via telephone at (330) 425-4497 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com">rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com</a>.

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