## How You Can Help

### - Volunteers are needed

Could you and/or your employees work in a joint effort with us on one of our cleanup days? Always a Saturday morning – spring and/or fall. Or we can arrange a special day and time if your business needs it.

#### - Make a donation

Our budget is not large, but we do spend about \$2,500 every year in watering, irrigation repairs, new plants, and outside help when we need it. Your donation will go toward the purchase of new plants, maintenance, etc. And we recognize who in our community makes a donation with our appreciation!

Here is the information for:Volunteering and/orDonating:
Name/Business:
Contact Person:
Phone: ()

WE THANK YOU!

Mail this to:

Garden Home Gardeners, PO Box 19664

Portland, OR 97280

Email us at:

GardenHomeGardeners@gmail.com

Questions? Please call: Stan Houseman (503) 679-3691 Barb Stroud (503) 245-7048

## Volunteers keeping the "Garden" in Garden Home

We, as neighbors and businesses, each year raise money to buy plants, pay for irrigation and take care of the gardens.

Today, as you travel on SW Oleson Road, the gardens are filled with flowering daffodils, roses, colorful trees and shrubs that brighten our community. And each summer, hanging flower baskets greet visitors to the Garden Home Recreation Center.

We are recognized by the Landscape Maintenance Adopt-A-Road group on SW Oleson Road from SW Hall Blvd. to north of Dover Street.





# Garden Home Gardeners

Keeping the "Garden" in Garden Home





An all-volunteer group, the Garden Home Gardeners take care of the planted medians and garden beds along Oleson Road and the hanging baskets at the Garden Home Recreation Center. Together, we dig, plant, weed, prune and water.

We invite you to join us in any of our gardens as a volunteer with your time and energy or through your donations. Your contributions help keep our community beautiful. We use these much needed funds to replace plants, to add mulch, to pay water bills and to repair sprinklers, all to beautify our community.



On a small budget and with many plant donations the "gardens" reflect the continued efforts to beautify one of the main roads in Garden Home.



See our website at: www.GardenHomeGardeners.weebly.com

## SW Oleson and 80th Garden

### - One of the gardens

The garden at SW 80th Ave and SW Oleson Road is the largest garden designed, planted, and maintained by the Garden Home Gardeners volunteer group.

The plants included in this garden were chosen to minimize the many utility installations, while offering passersby a colorful, pleasant view.



The gravel path runs through the center of the garden where a bench has been placed in memory of the Garden Home Gardeners' leader, Terry Moore. (also, see cover pic of garden)



## Garden Home Gardeners

### - Background

In 1996 a small group of volunteers, the Garden Home Crossing Committee, planned and planted three "island" gardens at the corner of SW Oleson and Garden Home Roads. Hanging baskets were added, irrigation was installed, and daffodils were planted. Later the group began providing hanging baskets for the Garden Home Recreation Center. The group was led by Terry Moore, who worked tirelessly with Washington County, local businesses and gardeners to keep the "Garden" in Garden Home.

In May 2006, the Garden Home Crossing Committee redoubled their efforts when Washington County began plans to widen Oleson Road. Once again, the group worked with Washington County, which allowed the group to plant gardens in some medians and the public right- of-way instead of paving it, if the Garden Home Crossing Committee agreed to provide care and maintenance. An impressive volunteer effort began, designing nearly 14 areas and raising money for plants and irrigation, including thousands of daffodils to be planted from SW Hall Blvd. to north of Dover Street. In May 2008, the gardens were planted and they now flourish.

Under their new name, Garden Home Gardeners, the result of reorganizing in 2014, volunteers continue to care for the gardens and hanging baskets - by digging, planting, weeding, pruning and watering to continue beautifying the Garden Home community.