

Lancaster Beer Gardens

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are Lancaster Beer Gardens?

Lancaster Beer Gardens are beer gardens that give back! Proceeds will help support Lancaster Rec programs and invest in our local parks and green infrastructure while providing a fun, family-friendly atmosphere to enjoy a local beverage and enjoy our parks!

Lancaster Beer Gardens are traveling, pop-up beer gardens as a partnership between Lancaster Rec and Tellus360's traveling Wander Bar, visiting the City of Lancaster's beautiful parks in the summer and fall.

Lancaster Beer Gardens are set to be a simple aesthetic, like a comfortable backyard bbq or lovely picnic in the park- bringing together family and friends to enjoy food, drinks and fun in our wonderful City!

2. Is it open to the public?

Yes! Lancaster Beer Gardens are free to enter and open to the public. Attendees must be 21+ to enter with a valid, government issued, photo ID. Children, families and anyone under 21 are welcome to join as long as they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Alcoholic beverages will stay in the fenced in area as required for PLCB code. All guests must sign-in with every visit. Guests over 21+ will receive a wristband that must be worn during their time in the Beer Garden.

3. Can I bring food to Lancaster Beer Gardens?

No, alcohol and prepared foods are not permitted inside our Beer Gardens. Small snacks/drinks for children are okay.

4. Is it kid friendly? What about dog friendly?

Yes! Kids are welcome- they just must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Lawn games, toys, and activities will be available for kids of all ages. Dogs are welcome too, however, they must be on a leash. Waste bags will be available, so please clean up after your dogs (and kids!) ☺

5. Can I bring my bike into the Beer Garden?

We ask that you please leave your bike outside the Beer Garden. Limited bike parking is available and we ask that you please bring your own lock.

6. What is the set up for the Beer Garden?

The beer garden is set within a fenced boundary and provides food and beverages, seating and shade, and lighting. Tables and chairs are arranged for community use inside the Beer Garden, as well as a variety of lawn games like corn hole, ladder golf, lawn darts, giant Jenga, etc.

7. Can I bring my own blankets and chairs?

Yes! Guests are welcome to bring their own blankets and chairs.

8. Will there be music or entertainment at the Beer Garden?

In the month of June, no entertainment or music is scheduled for the Beer Gardens. We encourage patrons to enjoy the peaceful sounds of the park during their visit. Portable projected music/stereos are not permitted.

9. Can I reserve a spot?

At this time, Lancaster Beer Gardens do not accept reservations. If the Beer Garden is at capacity during the time guests come to visit, it is recommended they enjoy the park or visit local businesses near the parks to pass the time until they are able to be accommodated.

10. What payment methods are accepted?

Cash and all credit cards are accepted.

11. How will this affect the parks?

Lancaster Beer Gardens are a self-contained program within a designated location in each park. The public will have unlimited access to the park and the surrounding park areas. Lancaster Beer Gardens encourage residents and visitors to explore new park spaces and spend enjoyable time in our parks.

12. Is this costing the City of Lancaster money to run?

No. Lancaster Beer Gardens are run by the Lancaster Rec, a separate organization from the City of Lancaster, in partnership with Tellus360.

13. Will any of the revenue from the program go back to the park?

Yes. Tellus360 will provide a donation to Lancaster Rec- and in turn Lancaster Rec will make a donation to the City of Lancaster for the Lancaster Beer Gardens program to reinvest into our parks.

14. Why do I have to sign-in each visit?

Visitors over the age of 21+ must sign-in at every visit to the Lancaster Beer Gardens for compliance with the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board code. Our rules make it possible for us to continue to be able to hold Lancaster Beer Gardens in our parks!

Special Notes:

Lancaster Recreation Commission and Tellus360 reserve the right to refuse entry or service to the Lancaster Beer Gardens to any patrons at any time. Guests that do not abide by Lancaster Beer Gardens rules will be required to leave the event.