

April 2026

Backyard Garden Newsletter



Welcome!

Welcome to the April 2026 issue of the City of Brampton's Backyard Garden Club e-newsletter!

Starting Seeds Indoors

April is a good time to start some seeds indoors! It's important to follow a couple of rules for greater success.

Plan your garden. Research your seeds you plan on growing to learn if they need to be started in advance or can be sown directly in the garden. Vegetables like radishes, peas, lettuce and carrots are a good seed that can sown directly in the garden. Look at the back of seed packets for length of time of sprouting and maturing of the produce.

- **Check your gardening equipment from last year.** Make sure they are clean and in good working order to avoid harming or contaminating your garden this year. If there are signs of damage or contamination; clean, fix or replace before using in your garden this year.
- **Start your seeds.** You can purchase seed starting kits or make your own to give your plants a head start before planting outside. Keep a clear lid over your seed area for warmth & moisture. Remove the lid when most have sprouted. Now is a good time to get your tray of sprouted greens in a sunny window. Watch daily for too much sun or not enough moisture & adjust the tray accordingly.
- **Plant your seeds.** When the outside temperature reaches an acceptable level of warmth, plant seedlings outside or put in pots & keep it growing on the patio or balcony. Be sure to get a good quality soil with compost mixed in it for strong growth.

When starting your seeds, plan to start more than you will plant in case some do not sprout. Remember to plant some flowers in your garden to attract pollinators! Flowers such as marigolds, cosmos and zinnias are great additions to your garden.

Happy gardening!

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SCOTTS MIRACLE-GRO CANADA SPOTLIGHT

Time to start your seeds!



Now is the time to start your seeds! This is a fun way to start your vegetable or flower seeds indoors using egg shells.

[Click here to learn more](#)

If you have any questions, email us
bramptongreencity@brampton.ca



Support those in need in our community

If you are able, please consider donating a portion of your vegetable harvest to our local foodbanks. When dropping off your produce mention you are apart of the City of Brampton's Backyard Garden Program.

Regeneration Marketplace

253 Queen Street East

Hours of operation: Tuesday to Friday, 9 am to 3:30pm (Closed 11:30 am to 1pm)

Knights Table

287 Glidden Road, Unit 4 (use back door)

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday, 10 am to 6 pm

Lifting the Fallen Church/Iglesia Pentecostal Levantando Al Caído

171 Advance Boulevard, Unit 14-15

Hours of operation: Friday, 10 am to 4 pm | Saturday, 5 to 8 pm | Sunday, 3 to 7 pm | Monday to Thursday by appointment only, call 905-499-0777

Heart Lake United Church's Community Cupboard

85 Sandalwood Parkway East

Hours of operation: Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:30 pm by appointment only, call 905.846.4519

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