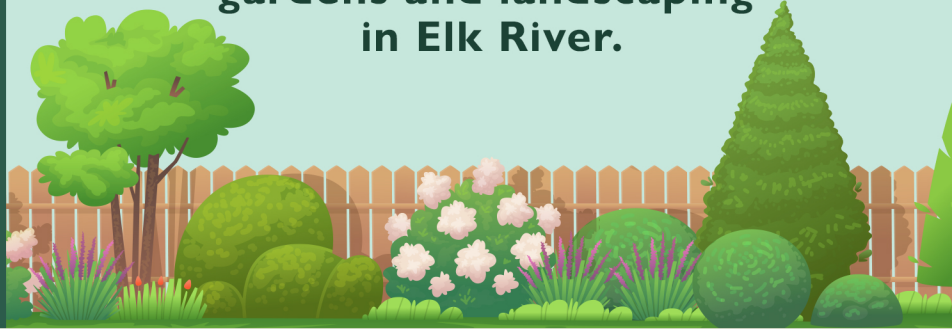




## GARDEN GEM AWARDS

**The Garden Gem Awards  
highlight exceptional  
gardens and landscaping  
in Elk River.**



Launched in 2025, the Elk River Garden Gem Awards program honors exceptional gardens and landscaping in Elk River. Each year, the Elk River Economic Development Authority and Housing Redevelopment Authority, with input from the Beautification and Public Art Committee, recognize residents and businesses that contribute to the city's beauty.

Winners will be formally recognized and presented with a personalized garden keepsake, along with an additional award at a city meeting in September.

**Nominations may be submitted by anyone including neighbors, contractors, friends, or the gardeners themselves.**

### Eligibility Requirements

- Garden or landscape must be located in Elk River.
- Garden or landscape must primarily feature flowering plants, trees, shrubs, ground cover, perennials, retaining walls, arbors, or water features that create a visually significant summer-long display.
- Garden or landscape must be well maintained through the growing season.
- Garden or landscape must have a positive visual impact on the neighborhood by being substantially visible from the right-of-way.
- Previous winners are ineligible to win in the subsequent two years.

### CATEGORIES

*1 Winner Chosen from Each*

**Single Family Home**  
*Built Before 2000*

**Single Family Home**  
*Built 2000 or Later*

**Townhome**

**Neighborhood**  
*Volunteer Managed*

**Commercial**  
*Professionally Managed*

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### NOMINATIONS DUE BY JULY 31

#### Questions?

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