VACANT LOT PROGRAM FAQs:

**Why am I required to register my vacant lot?**

The Vacant Lot Program was created to ensure city-wide compliance of vacant lots with minimum standards. This will prevent blight and ensure that all vacant lots are properly maintained. Registration is valid for one year.

**What is a vacant lot?**

A vacant lot is a parcel that is not improved with a community garden as defined by city code or a completed, permitted structure.

**What is a nuisance vacant lot?**

A vacant lot with two or more administrative orders including but not limited to administrative penalties and orders to abate imposed in the prior three years is considered a *Nuisance Vacant Lot* and subject to additional requirements and fees. Nuisance Vacant Lots will remain designated as such until a community garden has been installed upon the property; a permitted construction of a residential or commercial structure has been completed upon the property; or the property has remained nuisance-free for a period of 24 or more consecutive months.

NOTE: Failure to properly register a vacant lot may result in an administrative penalty and would be recognized as an administrative order.

**Am I required to register online?**

Online registration is the most efficient way to register your property and pay your fees. However, if you are unable to register online, please contact our office at (916) 808-8038 or via email [vacantlots@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:vacantlots@cityofsacramento.org) to request a registration form.