

Community Garden & Pantry

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Problem: Food Insecurity & Feeling Isolated.

- The number of families experiencing food insecurity is growing.
- The number of people who feel isolated and not part of their community is at an all-time high.



Action Plan Goal:

- Objective: To create a community garden and pantry for anyone to get fresh veggies, herbs, fruit, and dry or canned goods when they are in need and without shame.

Action Plan Steps:

- Step 1: Draw up a rough plan to approach/poll residents and town representatives with.
- Step 2: Poll residents to gain their level of interest. If at least 50 residents show interest in participating or think it's a good idea, then approach the town representatives with the plan.
- Step 3: The town agrees and offers space to be used, and the residents also agree the use of that space.
- Step 4: Finalize the garden and pantry specs and plans. $40,000 cost of project.
- Step 5: Raise funds, organize all labor, volunteers, and materials needed.
- Step 6: Set and finalize date to break ground.





Timeline

First Month

Poll Residents

Second Month

Approach the Town

Third, Fourth, Fifth Months

-Finalize Plans

-Funding, Materials, Labor, & Maintenance Plan

-Set Date to Break Ground

Sixth Month

-Break Ground

-Develop Volunteer & Events Calendar

Seventh Month

Celebration of Completion



Success!

- Town residents and representatives come together to build a beautiful community garden and pantry.
- Town residents continue to enjoy volunteering their time and resources to maintain the garden and keep the pantry stocked.
- It becomes an ongoing place to gather, garden, and give back.
- The garden and community thrive!