

Developing a Vision for Your Garden

Defining why you want to develop a community garden will help you create a vision for your project. Similarly, it will help you (your garden group) identify what you want to accomplish and how you will prioritize your garden's goals. This will help to recruit new garden members and gain community support.

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A community garden doesn't just happen; it takes hard work and commitment.

List three reasons why you (your group) want(s) to develop a garden.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Define what you want to accomplish and prioritize your goals.

Example: 1. Our primary goal is to produce fresh nutritious food for our families and our neighbors.

2. We want to clean up our neighborhood block and create a beautiful garden where people can come together.

3. We want to educate youth about gardening and the importance of environmental stewardship.

List three goals your garden group wants to accomplish and then prioritize

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Use your garden goals to create a brief mission statement.

Example: "Our mission is to strengthen our neighborhood by maintaining a community garden that provides a common ground for neighborhood members to garden together and get to know each other." *Create a mission statement that unites the group and the garden to a larger purpose.*

Identify how your garden project will benefit your neighborhood and community.

Think of examples:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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