



Project ID: 2021_02

COMMUNITY GARDENS

PROJECT LEAD:

Seneca County Common Ground and the Franciscan Earth Literacy Center

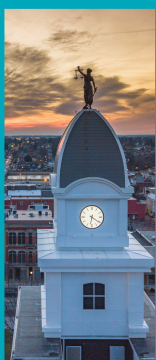
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PROJECT PROFILE

PROJECT TYPE: PRIVATE

SUMMARY

The initial phase of this project includes creating a model garden in the heart of Tiffin that will be maintained and showcased by Common Ground. The second phase includes helping other entities and organizations throughout the county create and manage their own gardens and to provide a network of support and assistance for the gardens.

COMMUNITY NEED

This project arose in recognition of lack of access to locally-sourced healthy food. The population to be served includes the many people in our community who struggle financially to obtain a balanced, healthy diet, and who may lack the knowledge needed to grow their own food.

TIMELINE

- Current Status: Project is currently in planning and fundraising phase.
- Project will move forward contingent on:
 - Obtaining complete funding, volunteers and partner organizations as well as adequate community awareness.
- Project timeline:
 - 2022: Phase one- demonstration garden will be completed
 - 2023: Phase two - classes and assistance to support network of new gardens will begin.

BUDGET

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$2,732.86

- Includes purchase of the needed materials, equipment, tools, soil and seeds as well as some advertising materials and costs for the classes.
- Cost Breakdown:
 - Equipment: \$2252.86, Administrative: \$480
- Obtained so far: \$0

ONGOING EXPENSES & SUSTAINABILITY

- Maintenance of the gardens will be managed by volunteers and annual costs for seeds will be obtained at no costs (example: seed exchanges).

FUNDING SOURCES

- Application has been submitted for full project cost to the Sisters of St. Francis.
- Other potential sources identified include Tiffin Community Foundation's White Family Fund, the Meshech Frost Foundation and private donors.

ATTACHMENTS

- Full application
- Budget document