



2019 Urban Agriculture Grantees

In 2019, fourteen community-based projects were funded by Mid-Ohio Foodbank through the Urban Agriculture Grant. The following summaries briefly outline their projects:

- **Columbus Center for Human Services, Inc (CCHS):** Grant funding will support CCHS expand its garden program that educates and engages individuals with intellectual and development disabilities. Produce will be consumed by program participants and distributed to low-income neighbors. Funds will be used to add more raised beds to grow in, install a rain water catchment system, and acquire tools that make food production accessible to program participants.
<https://cchsohio.org/>
- **Foraged & Sown:** Grant funding will support Foraged & Sown's work to grow and provide fresh produce for immigrants and refugee families. The farm will also host educational farm tours and youth in an employment program in partnership with Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services. Funds will be used to improve site drainage and install a high-tunnel to have year round vegetable production.
<http://www.foragedandsown.com/>
- **Four Seasons City Farm:** Grant funding will support Four Seasons City Farm in growing more fresh produce, year round to distribute to local markets and residents of Columbus' Near East Side. The farm will also host a weekly 4H Club to engage children. Funds will be used to install a high-tunnel and acquire equipment to improve on farm efficiencies.
<https://fourseasonscityfarm.org/>
- **Freshtown Farms:** Grant funding will support Freshtown Farms' work to grow and provide fresh produce to both Linden and south side residents via donations to area food pantries. Funds will be used to acquire tools and equipment to grow on multiple farm sites in Columbus.
<https://freshtownfarm.com/>
- **Happy Toes Homestead:** Grant funding will support Happy Toes Homestead's work to grow and provide fresh produce to SNAP customers at local farmers markets and by donating produce to low-income individuals. Funds will be used to improve site drainage and install a fence to protect crops.
<https://www.happytoeshomestead.com/>
- **Heaven Sent Children's Academy:** Grant funding will support Heaven Sent Children's Academy to educate and provide produce to children and their families from the neighboring daycare center. The garden will also host daily educational lessons in the garden. Funds will be used to install a greenhouse and acquire materials to add growing space in the garden.
www.facebook.com/Heaven-Sent-Childrens-Academy



- **Highland Youth Garden:** Grant funding will support Highland Youth Garden’s work to educate and provide fresh produce to children and youth from the Hilltop. The garden will host a youth internship program and weekly field trips in the garden. Funds will be used to outfit a seedling propagation space and to host the youth internship program.
<http://highlandyouthgarden.org/>
- **Magic House Farms:** Grant funding will support Magic House Farms’s work to beautify and grow produce on formerly vacant land while providing fresh produce to retail outlets and individuals in Franklinton. Funds will be used to install a water line and fence to protect crops, and to beautify parcels.
<https://www.magichousefarms.com/>
- **New Salem Baptist Church:** Grant funding will support New Salem’s work in expanding to a second location to grow produce for and alongside with Linden residents. Funds will be used to build and install raised beds to grow in.
<http://church.newsalemcares.com/>
- **Peace, Love, & Freedom Farm, LLC:** Grant funding will support Peace, Love, & Freedom Farm improve its efficiencies to grow more high-quality produce for local farmers markets, CSA program, and low-income seniors. Funds will be used to acquire a range of tools and equipment aimed at gaining efficiency and a high-tunnel to have year round vegetable production.
- **Reynoldsburg City School District:** Grant funding will support the high school expand its educational garden and enhance the greenhouse at the Livingston Avenue campus. Funds will be used to install raised beds, rain water catchment and irrigation system, tool storage and farm stand. The garden will be integrated into the Health Sciences and Human Services STEM Academy classes and activities.
<http://www.reyn.org/>
- **South Side Community Action Network (SSCAN):** Grant funding will support SSCAN’s work to engage the community to grow and provide south side residents fresh produce. Funds will be used to install a high-tunnel to have year round vegetable production.
- **The Hardy Center:** Grant funding will support The Hardy Center educate and provide fresh produce to children and youth from Linden. The garden will host a summer education program. Funds will be used to install a water line, expand seed starting capacity and plant perennial fruit bushes.
<https://www.thehardycenter.org/>



- **Threshold Community Service:** Grant funding will support Threshold Community Service’s effort to provide plots for over 100 refugees and immigrants to grow their own food and make donations to other area families. Funds will be used to enhance production by expanding the rain water catchment system.

<https://christianassembly.com/outreach>