

EAST END GARDEN COLLABORATIVE

2ND COLLABORATIVE NEWLETTER

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY,

MARCH 20TH

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

AT BLACK NAVVARRO

SAVE THE DATE

GARDEN WORK DAYS

MARCH 2ND, 8 AM - 11 AM

MAGNOLIA MULTI-SERVICE GARDEN

GROWING TOMATO CLASSES

MARCH 9TH, 9 AM - 11 AM

FINCA TRES ROBLES

READY FOR PLANTING

BEGINNING OF MARCH:

ARTICHOKE, PLANT
 ARUGULA, SEED
 BASIL, TRANSPLANT
 BEAN (ADUZUKI), SEED
 BEAN (LIMA), SEED
 BEAN (SNAP/STRING/GREEN), SEED
 BOK CHOI/PAK CHOI, PLANT OR SEED
 BUCKWHEAT, SEED
 CLATONIA, SEED
 CORN, SEED
 EPAZOTE, SEED OR PLANT
 MINT, PLANT
 OREGANO, PLANT
 PAPALO, WINGED SEED
 PEPPER, PLANT
 TOMATO, TRANSPLANT
 YACON, TUBER

(FOUND ON THE URBAN HARVEST PLANTING GUIDE)



MEETING NOTES FOR FEB. 20TH

Special thanks to everyone who made it to our meeting last Wednesday! We had 8 gardens who attended this meeting and 8 non-garden agencies. Let's raise those numbers! At this meeting we were able to connect within the school's feeder pattern. We had representatives from District Representative Gallegos Office, who were very interested in our collaborative! Attendees also received some information on "Building a Gardening Team" and "Creating Your Garden's Mission Statement! "

BUILDING A SHAREABLE TOOLBANK

Another topic touched upon was creating a toolbank that can be used for Garden Work Days. Gardens will also be able to check out some equipment if needed. If you have any extra equipment you are willing to donate please reach out to us.

NEXT COLLABORATIVE MEETING

Please don't forget to come to our next meeting on March 20th. We will be visiting the Black Navarro School Garden hosted by Ms. Almos and Mr. Deutsch. The guest speaker for this meeting will be Mr. Roy Rodriguez from the East End Management District, who will be introducing his efforts to organizing entrepreneurship opportunities for your students or garden participants to sell at the District's Farmers Market. (1)

URBAN HARVEST

Shout out to the gardens who have become an affiliate garden or have started the process with Urban Harvest! (Los Ninos Montessori, Burnett, Lantrip, Gallegos, Milby, and Magnolia Multi-Service Garden)

Ms. Emily Foxman has invited us on March 2nd, to the Farmers market at St. John's, where Urban Harvest will have limited free fruit trees. They will also be having an Adopt-a-Garden tour at the CCSC donation garden in Southwest Houston. Here you could participate in a basic organic gardening demonstration led by a gardening expert and learn how the garden supports the neighborhood by providing local food. (2)

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GRANTS

Remember to apply for grants for you garden! Rep. Gallegos have mentioned opportunities for grant matching! For more information be sure to contact Mr. Jorge Olvera.

Carton 2 Garden Grant: Open to public schools that are implementing innovative garden creation featuring creative and sustainable uses for re-purposing milk and juice cartons.
<http://carton2garden.com/>

Captain Planet Foundation: Open to educators who are interested in receiving support for students to design and implement hands-on environmental solutions.
<https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/>

2019 Project Orange Thumb Grant: You can receive \$2,500 in gift Cards and tools to support goals of neighborhood beautification and horticulture education. Applications due *March 4, 2019*. They are looking for organizations committed to the long-term success of gardens that will promote healthy and sustainable food sources, community collaboration and neighborhood beautification.
<http://pages.fiskars.com/ProjectOrangeThumb2019/>
<http://www2.fiskars.com/community/project-orange-thumb/>

The President's Environmental Youth Award (PEYA): Recognizes outstanding environmental projects by K-12 youth, encouraging positive community involvement. Applications are due *March 8, 2019*.
<https://www.epa.gov/education/presidents-environmental-youth-award>

Project Learning Tree Greenworks Grant: Offers grants up to \$1,000- to schools and youth organizations for environmental service-learning projects that link classroom to the real world. Deadline to apply is *September 30, 2019*.
<https://www.plt.org/resources/greenworks-grants/>

United Way Community Building Grant: Supporting community groups for innovative health and human service projects. Grants from \$1,000 to \$10,000 provide funding for short-term projects or one-time expenses that will have a positive impact in the community.
<https://www.unitedwayhouston.org/about/special-grants>

RESOURCES FOR YOUR GARDEN

ReUse Warehouse: The Reuse Warehouse provides the community with excess building materials that would otherwise be dumped in local landfills.
9003 N Main St, Houston, TX 77022

Houston Community Toolbank: This ToolBank provides community-based organizations with tools, equipment & expertise. The ToolBank lends/rents equipment needed for cheap.
1215 Gazin St, Houston, TX 77020

Keep Houston Beautiful: Organization leading this city's beautification, litter reduction, and recycling education. Provides education and volunteers.
<http://www.houstonbeautiful.org/>

Farm Dirt: Great provider of amazing compost. Connect with them to get discounted rates for your school garden. [281-552-8119]

Microlife: Provides great organic fertilizer that can be very beneficial for your garden. They have discounted prices for school gardens and non-profit organizations.
<https://www.microlifefertilizer.com/>

REFERENCED LINKS

- (1)<http://eastendhouston.com/market/>
- (2) <http://urbanharvest.org/adopt-a-garden1>



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