



# Growing Community Gardener Survey

## *Adult Gardener Survey*

*This survey is being used to get your opinions on the Growing Community garden so we can improve it for you and others. We are interested in your honest answers. For example, some gardeners may have made changes to their diet as a result of participating in the garden. Others will not have changed. Please do not put your name on this survey. Your answers are completely private.*

1. How long have you been working at the Growing Community garden?

\_\_\_\_\_ weeks OR \_\_\_\_\_ months OR \_\_\_\_\_ years

2. How often do you usually participant in garden activities?

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily            | <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week         | <input type="checkbox"/> Once a month           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-5 times a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Two times a month   | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than once a month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-3 times a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Three times a month |   |

3. What do you like best about coming to the Growing Community garden?

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4. What do you like least about coming to the Growing Community garden?

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5. Please rate each of the following aspects of working at the Growing Community garden.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>
a. The location of the garden(s) (distance from your home) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. The equipment provided to do the work .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. The quality of the garden resources (soil, water, etc.) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. The variety of food produced at the garden .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. The organization/management of the garden .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. The helpfulness of staff/volunteers.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. The knowledge of staff/volunteers .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. The social atmosphere at the garden.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. How would you rate your overall experience working in the Growing Community garden?

- Excellent       Good       Fair       Poor

7. In what ways do you think your life is different (better or worse) because of the Growing Community garden?

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Questions 8 and 9 contain a list of changes that you may or may not have experienced because of your participation in the Growing Community garden. For example, some gardeners may have increased their physical activity because of their work in the garden, yet some individuals' physical activity may not have changed. Those that are more physically active because of the garden should select the response that most closely matches their experience, either "agree" or "strongly agree." Those that were highly physically active before participating in the garden and/or do not feel that their level of physical activity changed should select the response that most closely matches their experience, either "disagree" or "strongly disagree."

8. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with following statements.

*Because I work in the Growing Community garden...*

	<u>Strongly</u> <u>agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>Strongly</u> <u>disagree</u>	<u>Don't</u> <u>know</u>
a. I eat more fruits and vegetables.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. I eat more organic food .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. I eat food that is fresher (less packaged food).....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. I eat less fast food.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. I eat more foods that are traditional for my culture/family background .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. I eat new kinds of food .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. I spend less money on food .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. I am better able to provide food for my family and myself.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. I feel better about where my food comes from.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j. I am more physically active .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with following statements.

*Because I work in the Growing Community garden...*

	<u>Strongly</u> <u>agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>disagree</u>	<u>Strongly</u> <u>disagree</u>	<u>Don't</u> <u>know</u>
a. I have learned more about gardening .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. I have gained new gardening skills.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

c. I have learned about running a small business....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. I know more about the environment.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. I care more about the environment .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. I feel more involved in this neighborhood .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. I spend more time with my family.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. I am teaching my family and/or friends to garden.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. I am donating/giving extra food to other people..	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. The following are statements people have made about the food in their household. Please tell me how often this statement has been true for your household in the past 30 days.

	<u>Always</u>	<u>Often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Never</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
a. We were not able to afford more food to eat.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. We were not able to afford more of the kinds of food we wanted to eat .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. We were not able to afford to eat healthier meals .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. Has participating in the Growing Community garden helped you start a small business or earn money from gardening?

- Yes       No

12. Do you have any additional comments regarding the Growing Community garden?

*These last questions are about you. The information will be used to help categorize your answers by these demographic descriptors.*

13. Are you...  Male       Female

14. What is your age?

- Under 18       18-24  
 25-34       35-44  
 45-54       55-64  
 65 or older

15. What best describes your race/ethnicity? [Check all that apply]

- American Indian, Eskimo or Aleut  
 Black or African American  
 Hispanic or Latino  
 Asian or Pacific Islander  
 White or Caucasian  
 Bi-racial/Multi-racial  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

16. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

- Less than 12 years  
 High school graduate/GED  
 Some college  
 College graduate  
 Advanced degree

17. What is the total annual income for your household, before taxes? Please stop me when I reach the appropriate range.

- Under \$9,000  
 \$9,000 - \$14,999  
 \$15,000 - \$21,999  
 \$22,000 - \$27,999  
 \$28,000 - \$35,999  
 \$36,000 - \$49,999  
 \$50,000 or more  
 DON'T KNOW

18. What is your home zip code?

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*Thank you!*