

Organic Food Community Project





We wish to:

To strengthen community bonds and health by:

- ❖ delivering workshops giving people the resources and skills to cultivate their own organic food in their land.
- ❖ to building a central community food garden and have people build food plots in their own private spaces.

Overview



This project aims to foster community cohesion through gardening and growing organic food.



Sharing the skills and resources for people to construct **their own organic food plot on their private land**



Advocating for the importance of food growing in the community



Workshops

Our workshop would be delivered by horticultural enthusiasts and professionals.

In school Workshops:

Enthuse and inform children about issues concerning the environment and health food. E.g. Plant growing competition.

Community Workshops:

Every few months we could host a gathering of the community exploring a new topic around food growing, gardening and the environment. E.g. Compost, fertilizer,



Organic Food Plot and Garden

Local food growing offers a more sustainable and often cheaper source of food, bringing people together in a shared attempt to reconnect with nature in an urban environment.

Long Term ongoing Project

Equipment

- Natural Organic Compost,
- Saplings/seeds,
- Gardening equipment e.g. A shovel, Hoe, wheel burrow.
- Professionals to build greenhouse.

Location

Land Share schemes put people who have land they are not using in touch with people nearby who are wanting to cultivate their own fruit and vegetables.

The landowner does not charge any money for sharing their land but often will receive something like 20% share of the produce. Land offered for growing space for others can be a part of garden, or a larger more public space, such as the area around a church or village hall which can support several growers.

Potential Partnerships

Local Council has a volunteer scheme and could provide us with volunteers to help

Eco active organisation can help support community cultivation and gardening projects in London. Could help deliver workshops.



Cost Breakdown

- Gardening equipment - £100
- Compost - £300 - £400
- Allotment to rent/buy - £200 per 125 square metres
- Hire professionals to deliver workshops

City Bridge Trust

Small Grants are available of between **£1,000 and £10,000** per year for up to 3 years maximum, for the following areas of work:

Greening and growing projects which bring communities together and improve the local environment.

Applications might include community groups, community gardens, environmental projects, bringing people together on community gardening projects, including food growing. As well as improving the local environment, you will need to show how your project is making communities stronger.