



Growing for AFAC at Walter Reed Annex Garden From Empty Lot to Thriving Plot!

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WRG Beginnings...

2013 Fort Barnard Community Garden project to test above-ground gardening techniques for a grant from Mrs. Meyer's Clean Day.

Expanded to part of county plot next door, now the Walter Reed Garden.







WRG

Making A More Permanent Home...

By early 2014, the first "permanent structures" went up with five 4'x12' raised beds



WRG Trial and Error









Water

Compost

WRG Gaining Ground



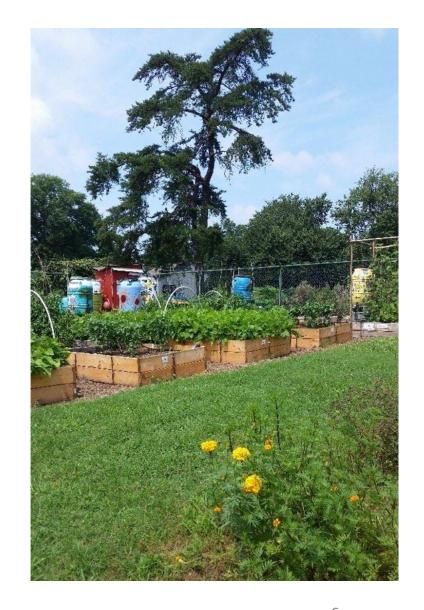
WRG 2018 Statistics

- 750 volunteer hours reported
- 1166 pounds of fresh produce delivered to AFAC
- 544 square feet of growing space in 9 raised beds
- Six compost bins









For a Giving Garden to Thrive, You Need:

People

Volunteers

Resources

Budget & Equipment

Organization

• Plans & Implementation









For a Giving Garden to Thrive, You Need to:

Select Crops Judiciously

Select for production

Harvest & Deliver Carefully

• Protect, package, deliver

Be a Good Steward of the Land

Sustainable gardening methods













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