

# Community Garden Proposal for the CV Starr Center



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- GFC Resolution
- Vision
- Mission
- What we do
- What we value



# Why a Community Garden?

- Gardens make our community more food secure
- Gardens bring us together during difficulty and ease tension
- Gardens are the most local, sustainable and environmentally sound way to get our food.

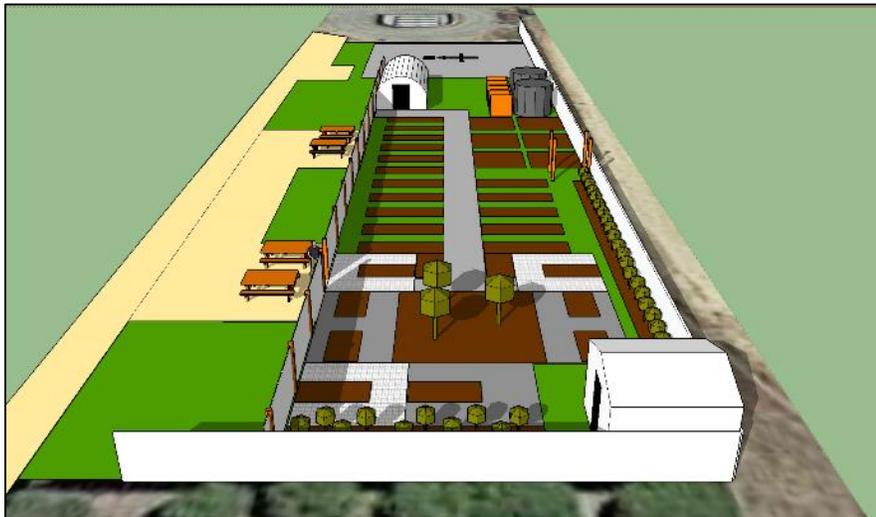


## Why a Community Garden at CV Starr Center?



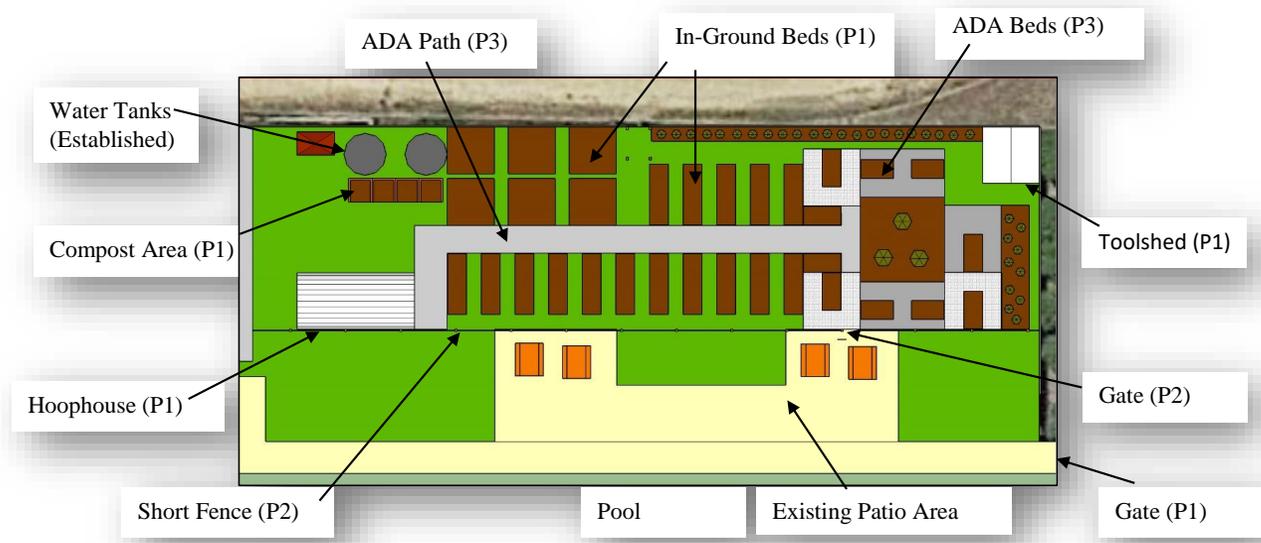
- Centrally located
- Enhance the mission of CV Starr, MCRPD and the City of Fort Bragg
- Brings more people, encourages public health
- Community Garden Hub
- Fort Bragg is a Garden Friendly Community!

# Proposed Community Garden Site Plan at CV Starr



# CV Starr Community Garden Development Proposal

- **Phase 1:** Stand-alone option. Basic infrastructure, rapid start.
  - Greenhouse, toolshed, tools, deer fencing, 2 lockable gates
- **Phase 2:** (Future potential) Short cedar fence dividing the patio from the garden with a gate.
- **Phase 3:** (Future potential) ADA Accessible growing beds and ADA main path connecting the toolshed, greenhouse, ADA beds and gates.



# CV Starr Community Garden Budget Proposal

Budget for CV Starr Community Garden	
Budget Item	Cost
Phase 1 (2020-2021)	
Hose 100' (2)	\$175
Plumbing (discussion w/FB)	?
Sod Cutter Rental 2 Days	\$220
Fencing	
Deer Fencing 10'	\$780
Chainlink Gates (2)	\$165
Hoophouse 12'x24'	\$1,500
Toolshed 10x12	\$2,800
Community Garden Tools	\$750
<i>Ongoing: Water</i>	<i>65% FB/ 35% MCPRD?</i>
<i>Ongoing: Insurance</i>	<i>\$500/year</i>
Subtotal Phase 1	\$6,890
Phase 2 (future possibility)	
Short fence and gate (patio area)	\$2,300
Subtotal Phase 2	\$2,300
Phase 3 (future possibility)	
Paths	
Quarry Dust 2,000 sqft	\$2,500
Road Base 2,000 sqft	\$1,800
10 8x4 ADA Raised Beds	\$3,100
Subtotal Phase 3	\$7,400

# Community Garden Management and Maintenance

*GFC Committee Fort Bragg will help establish and maintain this garden through the following:*

- Management Plan
- Garden Friendly Community Network
- GardenCorps®
- Ongoing costs and upkeep
  - Water and Insurance
  - Lawn and garden maintenance

**Community Garden Guidelines**

Fort Bragg community garden plots are available to people of any race, gender, or religion.

Every garden member will be responsible for the maintenance of their individual plot as well as playing a role in the shared maintenance of the garden. Every garden needs at least two people on the management team, a garden manager, and a soil and irrigation manager. We suggest the following four management jobs and all other garden members as maintenance crew.

**Garden Management Team**

- **Garden Manager (1-2 people):** Manages the garden and acts as a community liaison; ensures a safe and healthy garden environment; helps resolve conflict when necessary; collects dues and handles registration; organizes purchases of organic soil amendments, compost, tools and materials; reports to the Garden Friendly Community Committee when necessary; preferably able to communicate in English and Spanish.
- **Assistant Garden Manager (1-2 people):** Supports the Garden Manager and assists in organizing efforts; organizes meetings and communicates needs from gardeners; maintains tools and infrastructure; manages garbage and recycling on site; manages the Garden Maintenance Crew (see below); preferably able to communicate in English and Spanish.
- **Irrigation Manager:** Monitors irrigation system and assists in repairs; monitors and enforces water allowance; serves gardeners as a resource in proper watering techniques and system maintenance.
- **Soil Manager:** Serves gardeners as a resource in constructing, monitoring and maintaining compost piles; educates gardeners on how to achieve and maintain long term soil composition fertility throughout the garden; ensures that all inputs are used in a safe and responsible manner and with long term garden fertility in mind; ensures that only organic, OMRI approved inputs are used; communicates fertility needs to Garden Manager.

**All Garden Members**  
Garden Maintenance Crew: Works on an agreed schedule to maintain garden spaces, keeping them clean and inviting to ensure a safe and beautiful gardening environment. All garden members who do not have an assignment on the Management Team will share in this responsibility. Maintenance jobs will be coordinated by the Management Team. Each Community gardener is asked to commit 20 hours per season in volunteer hours to maintain the garden as a clean and safe public space.

**Victory Gardens for Peace GardenCorps® Pilot Program**

*Mission: Training leaders to serve their communities through establishing a stronger home and community gardening culture to promote food security and a healthier more peaceful future.*

GardenCorps trains community leaders to grow a sustainable gardening movement

GardenCorps leaders create opportunities and organize community to increase access to organic local food through promoting home and community gardening

A strong and resilient community has its roots in local food- We can do it! Si se puede!

Victory Gardens for Peace GardenCorps program trains teams of individuals in sustainable food systems and community organizing to support the establishment of a local food and gardening culture. This pilot program is a 3-part course including 45 hours of hands-on training in sustainable food production, 27 hours of diet planning and design and 27 hours of agricultural leadership training. A description of the curriculum is on the reverse side. Program participants are accepted on the grounds that they will apply what they learn and dedicate their efforts in community service to improve access to land and resources necessary for growing food to people of all genders, race or belief in Fort Bragg. GardenCorps graduates are provided the tools to demonstrate, teach and organize community around sustainable home and community gardening. They are supported in this work by their teachers, classmates and community. The goal is a sustainable and local food system for all. This pilot will serve a further development of an international program to train GardenCorps leaders around the world.

**2021 Program Dates:**  
Part 1: Saturdays June 5<sup>th</sup>- July 31<sup>st</sup> 9AM-1PM  
Part 2: Saturdays August 21<sup>st</sup>- October 18<sup>th</sup> 9AM-1PM  
Cost: \$450 (scholarships may be available)

VGFP is a project of Ecology Action, a 501(c)(3) based out of Wilkes California. You can reach us at [www.victorygardensforpeace.com](http://www.victorygardensforpeace.com) for more information.



Plot # \_\_\_\_\_

**Garden Registration Form**

**Primary Garden Contact** Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Gardeners** Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Plot Fee (Based on Table Below)** \_\_\_\_\_

Basic	_____	_____
Standard	_____	To Be Developed
Deluxe	_____	_____
Special	_____	_____

Please list at least 5 topics of garden interest you hope to learn more about:

Describe your gardening experience, please list at least 5 topics of garden interest you can help others with:

I have read the following Community Garden Guidelines and Contract and agree to them. I understand that failure to follow these guidelines will result in the loss of my garden site and that the fee will be refunded.

In addition, I/we the undersigned members of the (name) garden group hereby agree to hold harmless (center) from and against any damage, loss, liability, claim, demand, suit, cost and expense directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or in connection with the use of the (name) garden by the garden group, its successors, assigns, employees, agents, guests and invitees.

Gardener Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Manager Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

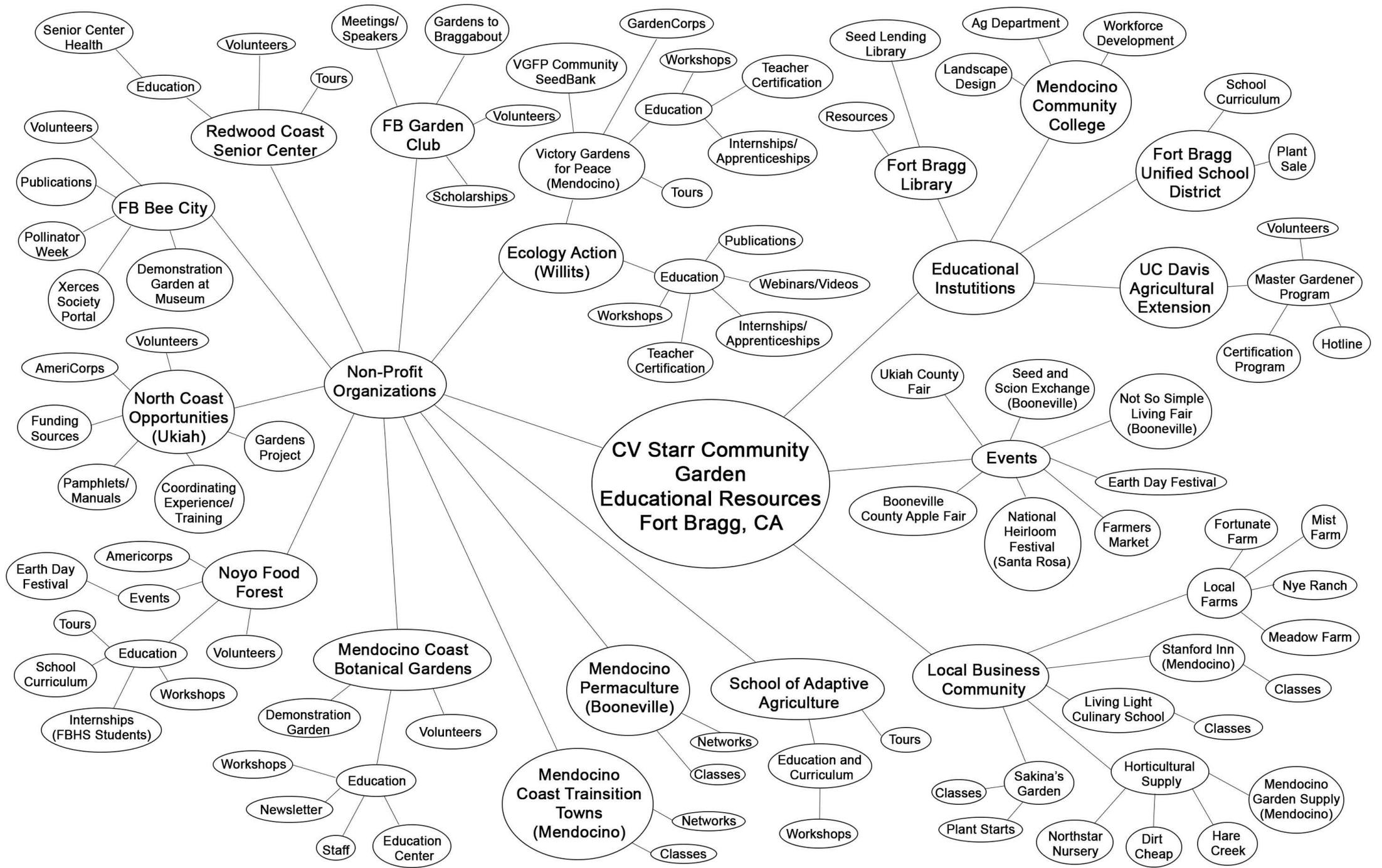
**Fort Bragg Community Garden Network Welcome Packet**

Garden Friendly Community Committee  
Fort Bragg, California



*Helping Fort Bragg increase food independence and wellness by re-establishing a strong home and community garden culture through garden education, support and access to community resources.*

Fort Bragg Community Garden Network is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The information herein is provided for informational purposes only.



# GFC Funding Strategy

- Organizational start-up costs already funded
  - Fiscal Sponsorship..... Noyo Food Forest
  - Liability Insurance..... ✓
  - Social Media..... ✓
  - Website.....(being developed)

- Community Engagement
  - Education programs
  - Volunteer recruitment
  - GFC Networks

- Fall 2020 Appeal for Resources



GFC Class Series



Social Media Recruiting

# GFC Fund Development

- Free Educational Programs
  - Donation-based, online programs started August 1st
- Go Fund Me Campaign for \$7,500
  - MCCF
  - Potentially for establishing the CV Starr Garden
  - Seed benefits, garden tours and workshops for donors
- Local Grant Opportunities
  - Foundation & private appeals for ongoing support



GoFundMe page



Garden Tour Package for Donors

# Thank you!



Recent Interns at Noyo Food Forest