

## URBAN GARDENING GRANT SCORE SHEET

**Purpose:**

Recognizing the many benefits of community gardens, the City of Columbus, Franklin County and The Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation have partnered to provide financial and material resources to organizations who aim to re-purpose underused land to create, continue or expand community gardens and greenspaces for the purpose of:

1. Increasing healthy, affordable and local food access and education, particularly for gardens that benefit people in low to moderate income neighborhoods
2. Connecting individuals to the life-enhancing benefits of community gardens and greenspaces, including health and wellness, therapeutic, environmental, community engagement, community building with people of various cultures and backgrounds, and beautification
3. Bolstering community pride

Question		Review Criteria
<p><b>Impact: The Urban Gardening Grant wishes to understand what impact the garden would like to have on the community. Please use this section to describe what the garden would like to achieve and why it is important for the community it wishes to influence.</b></p>		
1	What are the needs and opportunities in your community?	Applicant described the needs and opportunities in the community that the garden is responding to
2	What are the goals for the Garden in 2021 and beyond?	Applicant described the short term and long term goals for the garden
3	How will the funding help achieve the goals of the garden?	Applicant described how the goals will be achieved with the requested funding
		The funding use is aligned with the purpose of the grant
4	Describe who will benefit from the garden.	A clear target audience was described
		There is a link between the goals of the garden, the needs of the community and the audience they wish to benefit
5	How will you use the funding to engage the people you wish to benefit from the garden?	Applicant described how the funding will be used to engage the people they wish to benefit
		Applicant provided depth to the response by mentioning at least one activity they will use to engage people

6	Estimate how many people will benefit from the garden activities?	Applicant provided an estimate of how many people will benefit from the activities
		Applicant provided depth to the response by mentioning at least one activity
7	Of the total people that will benefit from garden activities, how many will be youth under age 18?	Applicant provided an estimate of how many youth under 18 will benefit from the activities * If no youth will benefit, provide full points for addressing the question
8	What plants will be grown in the garden?	Applicant listed the plants that will be grown
9	Describe in detail how what is grown will be distributed, used, and/or sold.	Applicant described the distribution/usage plan for the plants
<p><b><i>Capacity: The Urban Gardening Grant wants to ensure that the applicant group has the experienced personnel necessary to achieve the desired outcomes outlined in the proposal. Please answer the following questions to illustrate how the applicant has the capacity to manage the garden.</i></b></p>		
10	Describe the garden leader or volunteer group that will be responsible for managing the garden. Include any training and experience the leader or group has in garden management.	Applicant provided an overview of the leader/volunteer group
		Applicant described the leader/volunteer group's experience or training in garden management and how that training and experience will help the garden achieve the goals outlined in the proposal
		Applicant demonstrated the leader/volunteer group's capacity to carry out the proposal
11	A strong volunteer base is necessary for a successful garden project. Describe the volunteer recruitment and management plan.	Applicant explained how volunteers would be recruited
		Applicant's explanation of how volunteers would be retained is realistic
		Duties assigned to volunteers were listed

**Sustainability: The Urban Gardening Grant is not intended to be the only source of funds or supplies contributing to the creation, continuation or expansion of the garden. Please use this section to describe the resources planned for the garden, including volunteers and materials.**

12	What resources, other than this grant, will be used to sustain the garden and achieve its goals in 2021 and beyond?	Other monetary or personnel resources were listed besides the Urban Gardening Grant, including any other funding requests in existence
		The resources listed were adequate to support the garden

**Project Budget**

<p>Please provide a realistic budget that will support the garden plans described throughout the application. All expenses should be specifically named, line-by-line, in the project budget. Common items forgotten in the budget include vehicle rental and fiscal sponsor fees. It is strongly encouraged to review the Tool Library catalog <a href="http://modconliving.org">modconliving.org</a> prior to completing budget request. In the purpose section, provide justification for the budgeted item. It should be apparent how the requested items support the goals of the garden project.</p>	All items listed in the budget have a purpose that align with the goals for the project and the purpose of the grant
	Items/services requested align with the application
	Requested amounts are appropriate for the items and services

