



# Gateway Greening 2019 Annual Review

For 35 years Gateway Greening has been an organization that focuses on the positives that our community is capable of. Below are the numbers that speak to our efforts for 2019. We are asking for donations to continue those efforts, and continue our role as a conduit towards community progress.

## FOOD GROWTH

21



**NEW ORCHARDS**  
amounting to 405  
fruit & nut producing  
trees, shrubs, & vines.



15



**NEW GARDENS**



3.5  
TONS

of locally grown  
fresh produce



31



**EXPANDED GARDENS**

## INFRASTRUCTURE

157



**new garden beds**

11



**accessible garden beds**



320

**GARDENING  
TOOLS  
donated**

## EDUCATION



775  
STUDENTS

received weekly  
or bi-weekly  
Seed to STEM lessons



## ENVIRONMENTAL



177,818  
GALLONS

of mitigated  
stormwater



6,976  
SQUARE FEET

of growing space  
(added or maintained)



791

SEED TO STEM  
lessons taught



60

FREE  
public workshops

## OUR VISION

PEOPLE CONNECTED TO THE LAND, TO THEIR FOOD AND TO EACH OTHER  
IN DEEPLY ROOTED RESILIENT URBAN COMMUNITIES.

# 35 Year and Still GROWING

DELMAR DIVINE



Delmar Divine: A gathering place built for community practitioners and diverse stakeholders.

## GATEWAY GREENING AT THE



*innovation + collaboration = transformation*

Gateway Greening will be the “Green Heart” of the Delmar Divine campus. The creation of a new demonstration garden will be used for agricultural education and events. The Delmar Divine is the old St. Luke’s hospital and is located in the West End neighborhood along Delmar Boulevard.

NORMANDY



Site Programming at Normandy School  
Normandy High School, St. Louis, MO

## NORMANDY FARM PROJECT

Normandy High School is located on the North county side of the St. Louis City/St. Louis County borderline. Gateway Greening, in partnership with Normandy High School’s faculty and student led committee, and Operation Food Search, will create a teaching farm. Harvested produce may go to the on-campus food pantry, incorporated into school meals, or sent out to the community. Working at the high school level will create the next steps to solidifying a true agricultural pipeline.

ILLINOIS



Christian Activity Center garden installation, October 29, 2019,  
East St. Louis, Illinois

## ILLINOIS EXPANSION

In 2019 Gateway Greening expanded our services to the Metro East, proving that community development requires partnership and should occur on both sides of the river. Gateway Greening will serve St. Clair and Madison Counties.





### COMMUNITY PROJECTS

We support over 200 community agriculture projects for garden and orchard creation and expansion, by providing the following resources:

- Planting guides
- Seeds + Seedlings
- Compost and mulch
- Soil testing
- Construction guides
- Tool loans

These projects work with a variety of groups to activate underutilized greenspaces into an area that promotes healthy living, food access and more importantly a common ground to unify.

### SCHOOL PROGRAM

Our educators provide direct gardening education in multiple schools through the form of our Seed to STEM curriculum for students, and professional development and technical assistance for teachers. Aside from activating school gardens as a learning environment, the school garden is not your typical classroom. Research has proven that school gardens create feelings of happiness and improve social connections and value for the community.

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Free or low-cost workshops and classes are offered to the public to develop the capacity of individuals and groups that cover a wide variety of topics that encompass urban agriculture.

### VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Volunteers have been the backbone of Gateway Greening since it's beginning's. Whether it be an individual, university or corporate group, volunteers provide a safety net for garden maintenance, and because our garden network has expanded over the years, we can take groups from different areas and place them in unfamiliar locations. Regardless of background,s at the end of the volunteer's day, a new connection is made through working together.

### LAND TRUST

The separate 501c2 has preserved 17 projects and will continue to focus on the preservation of community gardens, school gardens, and agriculture projects as community assets.

## Give Today TO GROW THE FUTURE

### YOUR DONATION WILL:

- **Promote** new & innovative approaches
- **Breakdown** social barriers
- **Impact** access to healthy food
- **Provide** education
- **Preserve** land
- **Activate** & beautify greenspaces
- **Build** Community

We hope that you will consider donating to our efforts. Your support will build the path for Gateway Greening's future.

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# Give Today to Grow the Future

## THE VOLUNTEER

**2,057**  
VOLUNTEERS

**155** GROUPS

**7,445** HOURS of service = **\$189,326** DOLLARS worth

top volunteer group **SLU**  
1265.5 hours

## MAP OF GATEWAY GREENING NETWORK PROJECTS

Community Gardens (140+) ● School & Youth Gardens (80+) ● Land Trust (16+) ●

**NOW GROWING IN MADISON & ST. CLAIR COUNTIES!**

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