King County
Community Garden Program
Implementation Plan

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I. Executive Summary
The King County Community Garden Program Implementation Plan is in response to Motion 13221, which requested that the King County Executive develop an implementation plan for creating and managing community gardens on King County-owned property. It is an internal operational plan that explores the context of community gardening and recommends how King County could work with community partners and other jurisdictions to promote the establishment and operation of community gardens.

A “community garden” is typically defined as any land that is gardened by a group of people, allowing individuals to grow food for themselves or their community. Nationally, community gardening has been recognized for its many benefits, such as promoting healthy eating, providing an outdoor recreational activity, addressing food security, and building vibrant communities. In our region, community gardening has a long tradition and has shown strong demand in recent years, as evidenced by the growth of formal and informal local groups promoting gardening and food cultivation as well as significant wait lists to participate in two major local gardening programs, Seattle’s P-Patch program and Marymoor Park’s community garden.

The development of this document involved representatives from multiple King County agencies, including DNRP/Parks and Recreation Division; Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management; Public Health – Seattle & King County/Office of the Director; DNRP/Director’s Office; DNRP/Water and Land Resources, King County Agriculture Program; and Department of Executive Services/Real Estate Services. In the process of developing this implementation plan, this team studied other community garden program models, identified potential garden sites on King County-owned properties, and consulted with community garden stakeholders, including representatives from community gardening groups, food security groups, city jurisdictions, and gardening enthusiasts, among others.

This plan recognizes that King County has very limited resources to advance a community garden program at this time, and as such, recommends a program model that leverages the County’s expertise and other potential non-financial contributions. The recommended program model relies upon partnerships with community-based organizations and other entities to establish, manage, and sustain the garden sites. King County’s limited role would involve coordinating use agreements and helping to connect interested parties with potential sites on County-owned properties.

A program at this limited scale could be launched immediately with new gardens in development by the end of 2011. It should also be noted that a community garden coalition of public and community entities was recently begun in Tacoma-Pierce County, and this effort may provide a program model that could be replicated or adapted in King County in the future. The Tacoma-Pierce County program will be evaluated at the end of 2012, and this plan recommends that King County and its partners explore the Tacoma-Pierce County findings in 2013 and re-evaluate its approach to community gardening at that time.
II. Background and Context

Purpose and scope
The King County Community Garden Program Implementation Plan is an internal operational plan that explores the context of community gardening and recommends how King County could work with community partners and other jurisdictions to promote the establishment and operation of community gardens on King County-owned properties.

The plan proposes the potential roles and responsibilities that various King County agencies would assume should such a program be implemented. This plan recognizes that King County has very limited resources to advance a community garden program, and as such, recommends a program model that leverages the County’s expertise and other potential non-financial contributions. The proposed plan recommends a program limited to low-cost or no-cost ways the County can advance community gardening on County-owned properties.

After evaluating a variety of community garden models, the recommended program model is built on the assumption that community-based groups, non-profit organizations and other public agencies will work in partnership with King County to identify, establish, manage, and sustain community gardens on King County-owned properties. This model supports strategies for service excellence in the King County Strategic Plan by strengthening King County’s collaborative role with cities and communities, and improving collaboration internally, including among the County’s elected leadership, across departments, and with employees.

Although an inventory of potential garden has been prepared, additional research will be necessary once interest is shown for gardening on a particular to confirm a site’s appropriateness for a community garden, including but not limited to testing soil, assessing other growing conditions, and accessing water.

The scope of the current plan also does not address criteria for evaluating the capacity of potential community partners in establishing, managing and sustaining community gardens on County-owned properties. Should a King County community garden program be implemented, such criteria would be determined by an Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens - a group of King County staff members representing various agencies and described in more detail later in this document.

This plan assumes that King County would seek to collect fees from partnering organizations as a means of covering costs associated with administering the program. Should a King County community garden program be implemented, such fees would be determined collaboratively by the pertinent King County agencies.

Authority
This document is guided by King County Council Motion 13221, which requested that the King County Executive develop an implementation plan for creating and managing community gardens on King County-owned property to grow fruits and vegetables for the purposes of improving public health, building community and addressing hunger. Motion 13221 is included as Attachment A.
Previously, Ordinance 16263 required the Executive to conduct an inventory of county-owned or managed facilities and properties for the purpose of evaluating their feasibility for use in programs such as community gardens. A preliminary inventory - developed with the help of a team of UW Urban Planning students - was sent to the King County Council in February 2010. A refined inventory is included as Attachment B.

Why support community gardening?
Community gardens provide people a place to grow produce or other crops on land that may be owned in trust by local governments or not-profit associations. They may be divided into individual plots or tended in a communal fashion and are managed and maintained with the active participation of the gardeners themselves rather than tended only by a professional staff.

The American Community Gardening Association lists several potential benefits from community gardening:

- Produces nutritious food
- Reduces family food budgets
- Improves the quality of life for people in the garden
- Creates opportunity for recreation, exercise, therapy, and education
- Provides a catalyst for neighborhood and community development
- Stimulates social interaction
- Encourages self-reliance
- Beautifies neighborhoods
- Conserves resources
- Reduces crime
- Preserves green space
- Creates income opportunities and economic development
- Reduces city heat from streets and parking lots
- Provides opportunities for intergenerational and cross-cultural connections

Moreover, a literature review conducted as part of this implementation plan process examined relevant literature for scientific and epidemiologic evidence related to community gardens and positive impacts upon the public’s health. The most prominent findings from the articles showed evidence of increased fruit and vegetable consumption and increased physical activity among community gardeners. Other articles pointed out benefits such as community cohesiveness and individual feelings of well-being.

Regionally, community gardening has also been identified as an element in food systems and land use planning. This is reflected in the 2010 King County Board of Health’s Guidelines for Healthy Communities as one of several strategies that encourages access to healthy, affordable foods for county residents. It is also reflected in the Puget Sound Regional Council’s Vision 2040.

In the current fiscal climate, King County has very limited resources for advancing community gardening. However, recognizing the many benefits of community gardens, the County can
contribute in select ways and in partnership to achieve the intent of Ordinance 16263 and Motion 13221.

**How the plan was developed**

Multiple King County agencies came together and established an Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens to respond to Motion 13221. A list of participating agencies is included as Attachment C. This working group met regularly from April – November 2010 and carried out the following activities:

- Carried out a literature review of the nexus of public health benefits of community gardens
- Studied program models for operating community garden programs (see Attachment D)
- Refined list of potential sites on King County-owned properties
- Consulted with community garden stakeholders, including representatives from community gardening groups, food security groups, city jurisdictions, and gardening enthusiasts, among others
- Drafted an implementation plan, including the recommended program model for a King County Community Garden Program

**III. Recommendations for the Implementation of a Community Garden Program on King County-owned Property**

After exploring the current situation of community gardening in King County and examining a variety of operational models, the Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens recommends that King County take some initial steps that would immediately promote community gardening on County-owned land. The County should also continue to monitor community gardening efforts in and around King County, as well as remain engaged in the on-going discussions around regional food systems planning.

In the immediate near-term, King County could launch a community garden program in a way that empowers user groups to establish, manage, and sustain garden sites on County-owned land without resulting in significant new publicly-funded capital investments or on-going maintenance responsibilities. The King County Community Garden Program would follow a strategy that would make County-owned land more available to interested groups who demonstrate capacity to manage all aspects of day-to-day operation of a community garden site and to collaborate with the County.

This model enables well-established gardening organizations as well as informal gardening groups to access sites on King County-owned properties. In some instances, County-owned sites are located within the jurisdiction of other local governments and partnerships would be sought with the pertinent jurisdiction.

Under such a model, King County would play a limited role that:

- identifies County-owned properties with garden potential;
- facilitates partnerships among non-profit organizations, community groups, King County agencies, and other jurisdictions;
• disseminates information about opportunities for community gardening on King County-owned property; and
• connects prospective community gardening groups with information and other resources.

Roles and responsibilities
Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP)
Currently, there are six public community garden sites on King County-owned properties, plus the Goat Hill Giving Garden used by King County employees. Four of the six public garden sites are located on properties under the custodianship of the Parks and Recreation Division. These gardens were established opportunistically, and each operates under a different management model. Attachment E includes a list of existing garden sites and partner organizations.

Considering the Parks and Recreation Division’s experience with community gardens and expertise in developing public-private partnerships and in executing use agreements, the Parks and Recreation Division is a natural fit to serve as lead agency for a King County Community Garden Program.

Responsibilities include:
• Coordinating agreements between community gardening partners and King County;
• Serving as a liaison between other King County agencies and community gardening partners;
• Facilitating meetings of the Inter-Departmental Team and the Advisory Group;
• Disseminating information about King County’s program, including but not limited to hosting and maintaining a web page; and
• Responding to inquiries about King County’s program and connecting interested parties with community gardening partners.

The Parks and Recreation Division would work with potential community gardening partners to establish agreements to address items such as fees, on-going maintenance responsibilities, and any minor capital improvement needs. Exhibit A to each agreement would be a King County Code required Special Use Permit establishing the terms and conditions for use of the County parcel on which the garden site is located.

The Parks and Recreation Division also operates the “Community Partnerships and Grants Program” (CPG Program). This program provides seed funding that empowers community groups, sports associations, environmental organizations, recreation clubs, and other non-profit entities to construct, develop, program, and maintain new or enhanced public recreational facilities on King County land in a manner that does not result in new publicly funded operations and maintenance costs. Where appropriate, this program could be a possible source of funding to help organizations establish gardens on King County-owned properties.

Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens (IDT)
An inter-departmental team was assembled to draft this report and review and refine an inventory of potential community gardening sites on King County-owned properties. This team would
continue to meet on an ad-hoc basis to provide guidance and expertise should a King County Community Garden Program be implemented.

Responsibilities include:

- Review and approve siting criteria
- Revise and refine list of potential garden sites on King County-owned properties
- Identify and address any requirements or issues related to King County policies and codes that affect King County’s community gardens program
- Provide informational and other resources to support the program

At minimum, the IDT should consist of representatives from the following agencies:

- Parks and Recreation Division, DNRP
- Water and Land Resources Division, DNRP
- Real Estate Services Section, Facilities Management Division
- Road Services Division, DOT
- Office of the Executive
- Public Health - Seattle & King County
- Department of Development and Environmental Services

Community Garden Advisory Group
In accordance with Motion 13221, the IDT convened an advisory group to help draft this plan. The Community Garden Advisory Group is made up of representatives from community-based organizations, food security organizations, other jurisdictions, and gardening enthusiasts, among others. Coordinated by the IDT, this group will continue to meet on an ad-hoc basis to provide information regarding best practices in operating community garden programs, offer feedback on the County’s program, and help disseminate information to the broader community about opportunities to garden on King County-owned properties.

Costs
An objective of the proposed model for a King County Community Garden program is to minimize the financial investment required by the County to offer such a program, while still enabling the County to promote community gardening on County-owned properties.

This plan proposes improved collaboration between county agencies for coordinating community gardens, including the establishment of a single point of contact in the County’s Parks and Recreation Division. This would entail the modification of a current work program, not the addition of a new position. To operate the program, it is estimated that 0.15 of staff time in existing position would be required for the Parks and Recreation Division’s program lead.

In addition, as interested groups pursue new sites to establish gardens, the program will periodically require collaboration with staff from other County agencies, such as risk management, real estate services, PAO, and parks and recreation. Staff time will also be required by IDT participants in ad hoc meetings, estimated at three per year.
In order to help recover the costs of operating such a program and address any potential state accountancy act issues, the IDT recommends the next phase of program development consider the collection of usage fees as part of any agreement established with the respective partner organizations. Based upon this analysis, fees could encompass use of the garden site and take into consideration factors such as the size of the garden site, program administration, and other enterprise fund constraints.

Each partnering organization would determine its own rental policies for the individual garden plots and would be allowed to retain plot rent.

**Launching the Program: Actions and Milestones**

In 2011, King County would take the following actions to implement the King County Community Garden Program:

**Action 1:** Based upon the inventory of County-owned sites listed in Attachment C, work with local governments to incorporate the potential community garden sites owned by the County and located in their boundaries into their community gardening programs.

Milestone:
- Community gardening agreement with the City of Seattle regarding incorporating two King County-owned sites located within city boundaries into the city’s existing community gardening program (May 2011)

**Action 2:** With the guidance of the Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens and the Community Garden Advisory Group, refine criteria for evaluating and approving a potential site’s appropriateness for hosting a community garden and refine criteria for evaluating and approving community gardening proposals from potential partners.

Milestones:
- Community garden site evaluation criteria/checklist (May 2011)
- Community garden proposal evaluation criteria (July 2011)

**Action 3:** Conduct analysis of cost recovery options that takes into consideration such factors as the size of garden sites, program administration, and other issues as identified by the PAO or custodial agencies. This document will provide the structure informing the fee section of the agreements established with each partner entity.

Milestone:
- Cost recovery analysis completed (July 2011)

**Action 4:** Develop and publish a webpage dedicated to the King County Community Garden Program that includes information such as a list and map of potential county-owned sites, information on how to start partnering with King County, links to non-profit organizations with community gardening programs, funding resources for community gardening activities, and other
community gardening resources. Promote the King County Community Garden Program utilizing no-cost channels such as press releases, social media, and communications with partners.

Milestone:
- Webpage published (May 2011)
- Communications materials prepared (July 2011)

Performance Measures
The initial performance measures used to evaluate the King County Community Garden Program in the program’s first two years include:
- Number of agreements executed with partners for community garden sites on King County-owned properties
- Number of active, occupied plots located on community garden sites on King County-owned properties
- Cost analysis

Program Evolution: Evaluating the Implementation of the Tacoma & Pierce County Community Gardens Plan
“Action Communities for Health, Innovation, & Environmental Change” (ACHIEVE) introduced a three-year Community Gardens Plan for Tacoma and Pierce County in June 2010. Through a collective effort, Pierce County organizations identified funds and offered in-kind services to hire and maintain a full-time staff person to coordinate and implement the plan. The position, hosted by Cascade Land Conservancy, will implement the goals and objectives of the plan and the ACHIEVE community gardens coalition.

The Community Gardens Plan for Tacoma and Pierce County includes a monitoring element and each of the plan’s goals and objectives will be measured at the end of 2012. This will be completed by the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department in conjunction with the Community Garden Coordinator and related partners.

In 2013, the Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens would work with Community Garden Advisory Group to review the Tacoma and Pierce County program’s findings and evaluate whether or not that model is appropriate for King County. The Community Garden Advisory Group would be asked to recommend a course of action for the future of King County’s community garden program at that time and to define what their roles and contributions could be.
Attachments

- Attachment A: Motion 13221
- Attachment B: Inventory of potential garden sites on King County-owned properties
- Attachment C: Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens: List of Participating Agencies
- Attachment D: Community Garden Program Models in Other Jurisdictions
- Attachment E: Existing community gardens on King County-owned properties
Attachment A: Motion 13221

KING COUNTY
Signature Report
May 10, 2010
Motion 13221

Proposed No. 2010-0266.2  Sponsors Hague, Phillips and Patterson

1. A MOTION requesting the executive to develop an
2. implementation plan for creating and managing community
3. gardens on King County owned property to grow fruits and
4. vegetables for the purposes of improving public health,
5. building community and addressing hunger.
6. WHEREAS, economic conditions are creating a growing hunger crisis, and
7. WHEREAS, food banks across the nation have experienced an unprecedented
8. increase in the demand for services, and
9. WHEREAS, Northwest Harvest reports a twenty seven percent increase in the
10. number of meals served and visits to its network of food banks between March 2008 and
11. March 2010, and
12. WHEREAS, according to recent United States Department of Agriculture figures
13. and research from the American Dietetic Association, almost eighty percent of adults are
14. not eating the recommended levels of fruits and vegetables, and
15. WHEREAS, low-income communities are more likely to lack access to fresh
16. organic produce, and
17. WHEREAS, the county has adopted a Public Health Operational Master Plan to
18. address nutrition related diseases such as obesity and diabetes, and
WHEREAS, the 2008 King County Comprehensive Plan directs the county to explore ways of creating and supporting community gardens, farmers markets, produce stands and other similar community-based food growing projects to provide and improve access to healthy food for all rural residents, and

WHEREAS, as demonstrated locally and in the White House vegetable garden, community gardens are a way to educate children about healthful, locally grown fruit and vegetables at a time when obesity and diabetes have become a national concern, and

WHEREAS, community gardens serve the nutritional needs of the community by providing produce for gardeners, food banks and others in need, and

WHEREAS, community gardening improves food security, neighborhood improvement, recreation and open space, and

WHEREAS, growing food locally has a positive impact on our region's carbon footprint, and

WHEREAS, there are many successful models of community gardening within King County and organizations working to encourage locally grown produce, community gardening and urban food production, and

WHEREAS, King County hosts three successful community gardens in the county park system: Marymoor, White Center Heights, and North Green River, and

WHEREAS, King County owns many other properties, some of which might contain areas suitable for growing fruits and vegetables, and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 16263 required the executive to conduct an inventory of county-owned or managed facilities and properties for the purpose of evaluating their
feasibility for use in programs such as pea patches and community gardens, which the executive completed in March, 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

A. The executive is requested to develop an implementation plan for creating and managing community gardens on King County owned property to grow fruits and vegetables for the purposes of improving public health, building community and addressing hunger. The community gardens shall serve individuals and community organizations seeking to produce locally grown fruits and vegetables for their own consumption or for charitable distribution. The implementation plan shall be developed in consultation with an advisory council made up of representatives of, but not limited to, Public Health - Seattle & King County Washington State University, King County agricultural commission, food banks, gardening organizations, schools, homeless shelters and advocates for ensuring that all residents of King County have access to nutritious fresh food. The implementation plan shall seek to develop an approach for matching those who are interested in participating in a community garden with available county owned land. The implementation plan shall include a financial plan. In developing the implementation plan, the executive shall consider the many different, successful models for community gardening, including, but not limited to, the city of Seattle's P-Patch program, Solid Ground's Lettuce Link, urbangardenshare.org and other models that involve partnerships with nonprofit organizations, food banks, gardening groups, schools, day cares and homeless shelters. In developing the implementation plan, the executive shall seek opportunities for grant funding for implementing a community garden program.
The implementation plan shall include a proposed process for selecting garden sites. The selection process shall give priority to community garden sites with:

1. High levels of poverty; and

2. A community organization interested in sponsoring the community garden with the capacity to assume a leadership role in its development and ongoing operation; and

3. Readiness of the garden site and identified financial or in-kind resources to create any needed garden infrastructure.

B. The executive is requested to electronically file with the clerk of the council by November 22, 2010, the implementation plan developed under subsection A. of this motion.

Motion 13221 was introduced on 4/26/2010 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 5/10/2010, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Drago, Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hagae, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Dunn
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

[Signature]
Robert W. Ferguson, Chair

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council
## Attachment B: Inventory of potential community garden sites on King County-owned properties

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Attachment C: Inter-Departmental Team on Community Gardens – List of Participating King County Agencies

- Executive Office/Office of Strategic Planning and Performance Management
- Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP)/Parks and Recreation Division
- DNRP/Director’s Office
- DNRP/Water and Land Resources Division
- Department of Executive Services/Facilities Management Division/Real Estate Services
- Public Health – Seattle & King County/Director’s Office
Attachment D: Community Garden Program Models in Other Jurisdictions

Managed by County:

Fairfax County, Virginia
http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/gsgp/plots.htm

*Description:* The Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) provides Fairfax County residents the opportunity to participate in a positive community gardening experience through the Community Garden Plot program. More than 650 garden plots in nine County parks are rented on an annual basis. Most plots are 30’x20’; 18 plots at Grist Mill Park are 10’x20’. Beginning April 1, large plots will rent for $65 and smaller plots will rent for $60.

*Funding:* Through plot rentals they are able to hire seasonal staff to work part time

Managed by Extension Service:

Brown County, Wisconsin
http://www.co.brown.wi.us/departments/?department=68d3c3d55278&subdepartment=b2b33ee26bfc

*Description:* For a number of years, Brown County UW-Extension has supported the development of urban community gardens throughout the Green Bay area. The gardens are managed cooperatively by Brown County UW-Extension, the Brown County Food & Hunger Network, the City of Green Bay, and local volunteers. Financial support comes from the UW System, the United States Department of Agriculture, and local private donors.

*Funding:* Public and private

Managed by a municipal community garden program:

Seattle, WA
http://www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/ppatch/
http://www.ppatchtrust.org

*Description:* The P-Patch Community Garden Program, the not-for-profit P-Patch Trust works in conjunction with Seattle P-Patch to acquire, build, preserve and protect the gardens. The P-Patch Trust provides advocacy, outreach and educational programs to P-Patch gardeners.

*Funding:* City of Seattle general funds, fundraising and grants through the P-Patch Trust, gardener plot rental fees

Managed by a municipally funded not-for-profit organization to support community gardens:
Chicago, IL
http://neighbor-space.org

Description: NeighborSpace is a nonprofit organization funded through and operating in the city of Chicago, the Chicago Parks District, and the Cook County Forest Preserve District, which is empowered to acquire property to preserve land for community gardens. NeighborSpace acts as a land-trust for community gardens and accepts liability for the site. Since 1996, NeighborSpace has acquired more than 50 sites throughout Chicago for preservation as community garden space.

Funding: the City of Chicago, Chicago Park District, Forest Preserve District of Cook County and fundraising by community based organizations.

Tacoma & Pierce County, WA
http://www.healthypierce.org/projects-programs/achieve-community-gardens-committee/
http://www.cascadeland.org

Description: Pierce County’s ACHIEVE Coalition, a broadly based community initiative sponsored by the YMCA and the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, spearheaded the community gardens effort, making it what it is today – a program that provides gardening opportunities for the physical and social benefit of people and their neighborhoods.

Funding: A coalition of public and private partnerships and a Center for Disease Control ACHIEVE grant
## Attachment E: Existing Community Gardens on King County-owned Properties

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<td>1. Marymoor Park</td>
<td>Parks and Recreation Division, DNRP</td>
<td>Marymoor Community Gardeners Association</td>
<td>154 garden plots (60,000 sf); established in the 1970s.</td>
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<td>2. White Center Heights Park</td>
<td>Parks and Recreation Division, DNRP</td>
<td>White Center Food Bank</td>
<td>6 raised beds; established in 2007.</td>
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<td>3. North Green River Park</td>
<td>Parks and Recreation Division, DNRP</td>
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<td>133 garden plots, (53,200 sf); established in the 1980s. Parks took over management of the gardens in 2008, when the partner entity disbanded.</td>
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<td>4. Mirrormont Park*</td>
<td>Parks and Recreation Division, DNRP</td>
<td>Mirrormont Community Association</td>
<td>8 raised beds, 14 garden plots (6,825 sf); established in 2009 as part of a CPG project.</td>
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<td>5. University District P-Patch (Seattle)</td>
<td>Wastewater Treatment Division, DNRP</td>
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<td>48 garden plots (14,400 sf); established in 1976.</td>
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<td>6. Greg’s Garden P-Patch (Seattle)</td>
<td>Metro Transit Division, DOT</td>
<td>City of Seattle Department of Neighborhoods P-Patch Program</td>
<td>20 garden plots (2,500 sf); established in 1999.</td>
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*The community garden is on land leased from the Mirrormont Country Club, adjacent to Mirrormont Park. Funding for the garden’s development was provided through King County Parks’ Community Partnerships and Grants Program.

### Notes:
1. Since the Goat Hill Giving Garden is restricted to King County employees, it is not included in the inventory of existing community gardens.
2. There is a demonstration garden (raised beds) in Skyway Park. The garden is part of a temporary project, so it is not included in the inventory of existing community gardens.