

Eat Your Greens:
SW Gardens CSA
&
Cooking Demos





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Southwest Gardens(www.swgardens.org)

- Opened in 2013, located in Lansburgh Park
- 10 communal beds, food fences, orchard, pollinator gardens, herb beds, and composting
- All volunteer-run
- Communal season runs from April to Oct







Community-supported agriculture (CSA)

& Cooking demos

Goal: Provide public housing residents with access to healthy food and cooking resources

Our Plan:

- Expand CSA to 10 households
 - Hire 3 farmhands from Greenleaf to help prepare produce & make deliveries
 - Deliveries are once a week, June October
- 3 cooking demos for Greenleaf Seniors



Timeline

- April garden opens seeds/seedlings planted
- May outreach for CSA confirm CSA members, plan out cooking demos
- **June** *first CSA begins* first harvests anticipated
- July Oct CSA continues weekly
- June 1st cooking demo
- Aug/Sept 2nd cooking demo
- Oct 3rd cooking demo
- Last weekend in Oct final CSA delivery - survey of CSA members



Budget

- Food/supplies for cooking demos-\$200
- New herb bed \$100
- Soil tote for herb bed & CSA
 garden bed \$150
- Stipends for chefs for nutritionworkshops \$200 (\$50 each)
- Tote bags for CSA members \$50
- Stipends for 3 youth deliverers
- (Farmhands) \$250 (~ \$83 each)



