Thank you for helping residents grow and share fresh food with their families and neighbors. Your incredible support has helped bring people together to grow local food, feed one another, sustain gardens as community greenspaces, and enjoy being outdoors.

Thanks to your generosity, people of all ages have been able to maximize food production, work towards long-term sustainability, and increase community participation in new and existing gardens. Your support was invaluable in helping growers of all ages to access the tools and resources needed to grow thriving gardens.

### 2021 BY THE NUMBERS

- 6 new community gardens established
- 6,050 seed packets shared through localized seed swaps
- 40 additional gardens supported through our Sustainability Fund
- 325 active Garden Resource Center (GRC) members, including 68 new members
- 11,054 square feet of new garden area added in Allegheny County
- 7 new people from five sites completed Master Composter certification
- 24 participants in virtual version of “How to Start a Community Garden” workshop
- 2 community garden sites protected through Three Rivers Agricultural Land Initiative

“COMMUNITY GARDENS PLAY A ROLE IN CREATING ACCESSIBILITY TO GREEN SPACE AND OUTDOOR SPACE FOR PEOPLE WHO DON’T TYPICALLY HAVE ACCESS TO THESE SPACES AND PLACES.”

- Community gardener, Garfield
“NOW THAT THE SPACE IS PROTECTED, WE AREN’T JUST GOING YEAR-BY-YEAR, WAITING TO SEE IF DEVELOPMENT PRESSURE IS GOING TO TRIGGER A SALE OF THE PROPERTY.”
- Community gardener, East Liberty

“GROWING YOUR OWN FOOD IS SO EMPOWERING. IN A WORLD WHERE SO MANY WHO LOOK LIKE ME HAVE SO LITTLE, THE GARDEN MEANS A LOT. SELF SUFFICIENCY AND A CONNECTION TO THE EARTH AND YOUR PLACE IN IT ARE PRICELESS. GARDENS FEED THE BODY, BUT GARDENING FEEDS THE SOUL.”
- Member, Garden Resource Center

“FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT AFTER MY CANCER SURGERY AND THEN COVID STRUCK. IT WAS WONDERFUL TO GET DELIVERY SO THAT I COULD AT LEAST ENJOY MY GARDENING SAFELY. IT SPEAKS TO WHO YOU ARE AND TO YOUR MISSION STATEMENT... GROW PITTSBURGH IS AN INCREDIBLE ASSET TO OUR AREA.”
- Recipient of Garden Resource Center bulk materials delivery