## **Overview of the New Start Community Garden**

- Founded by the Community Advisory Board in 2015 to support Youth Works, a work and learn summer program for at risk youth
- Managed and developed by a volunteer Garden Board that meets monthly
- A 1.6 acre site that is one third school garden and two thirds community garden
- Became a nonprofit in 2017
- Supports the White Center Food Bank and through produce donations, with over 1,300 pounds donated in 2017
- Built with almost all donated materials that were sourced by the board members

## **Key Features of the Garden**

- Sixty p-patch plots, including rare ADA beds
- Community orchard with over 30 fruit trees
- Newly installed berry garden for p-patch gardeners
- Newly installed extensive perennial beds for pollinator plants to attract beneficial insects
- Hummingbird garden area
- Greenhouse
- Storage shed and container for tools
- Hose bibs throughout the site
- Performance stage with large lawn area for events
- Three demonstration rain gardens
- Parking and access road

## **Current Development Projects**

- New pollinator plants beds along the southern side of the garden
- New berry garden
- New "fig forest"
- Improved composting systems for the site
- New kiwi vine arbor
- Additional irrigation and sprinkler systems to support new plantings
- New formal European demonstration garden
- Website & marketing development
- Volunteer and internship programs development

## **Current Funding**

- City of Seattle Port grant for \$10K
- P-patch garden rental fees
- Resourceful board members finding donations
- Please see our most recent Annual Report for more information on donors and partnerships.

We thank all of our supporters and look forward to seeing you out in the garden!

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