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Neighborhoods

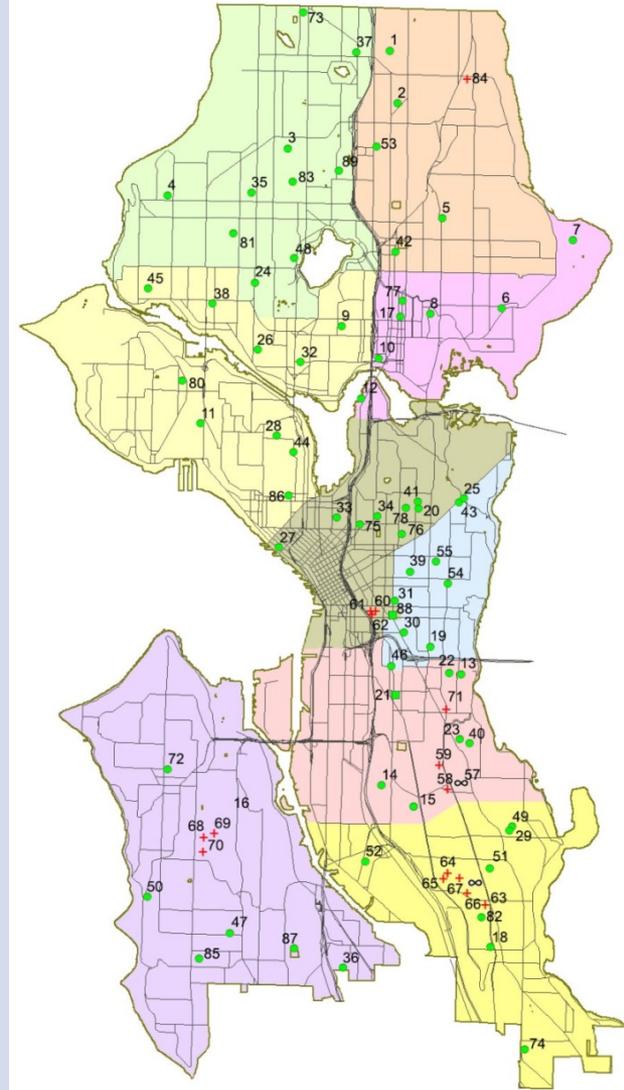
P-PATCH COMMUNITY GARDENING PROGRAM

Levy and Program Update

September 9, 2014

P-Patch Overview

- 41 years old
- 89 gardens on city/private properties
- 33+ acres
- 6800+ gardeners donate 23,000 hours
- Giving Gardens: 28,000 lb. donated
- Market gardens
- Demographics
 - 24 sites with majority low income and immigrant families
 - 70% gardeners low income (2010)



Levy-Funded Community Garden Development



Strategic Project Selection

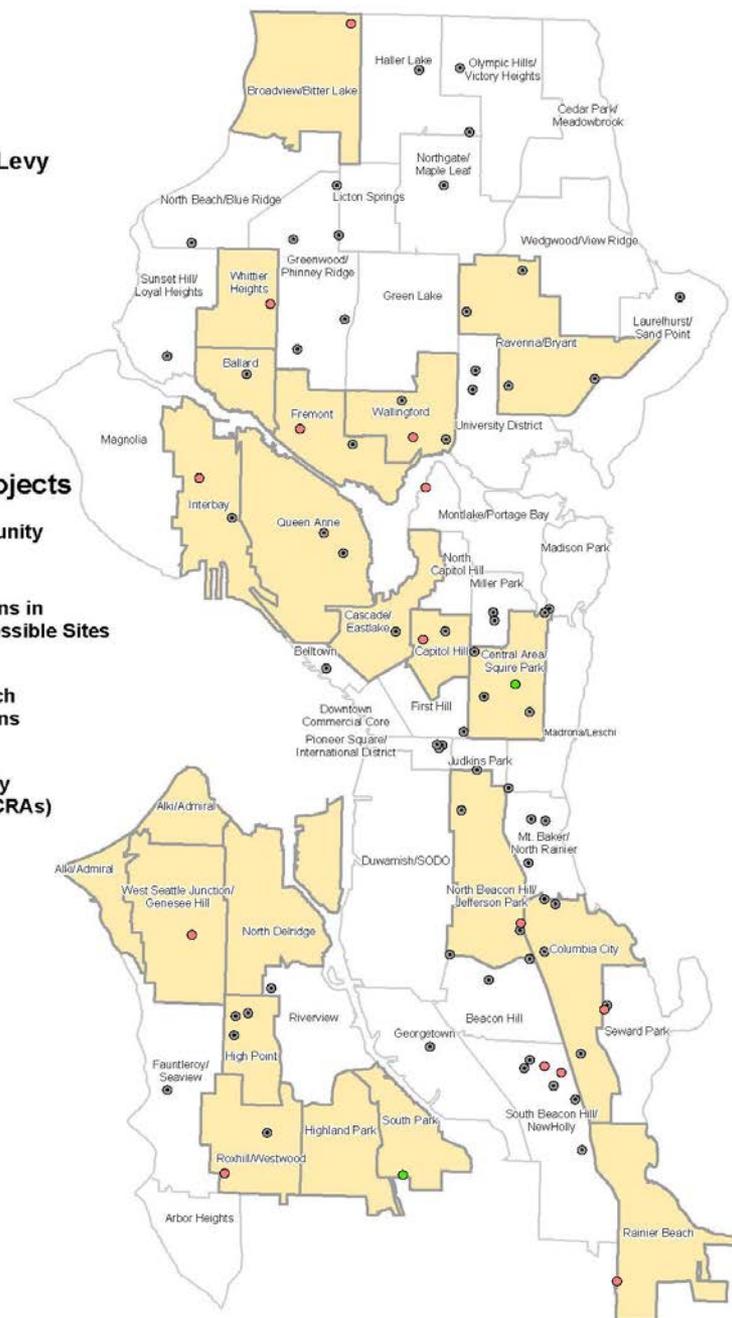
- Underserved by program
- Named neighborhood
- Historically underserved populations
- Identified feasible site with community engaged
- Food access
- Urban village
- Focus on Southeast and South Park

Priority Areas for Development with Levy Funds

December 11th, 2009

Levy Funded Projects

- Completed Community Gardens
- Community Gardens in Development & Possible Sites
- Established P-Patch Community Gardens
- Priority Community Reporting Areas (CRAs)



P-Patch Community Garden Projects

THIS MAP SHOWS THE NEW AND EXPANDED GARDENS DEVELOPED WITH SUPPORT FROM THE PARKS AND GREEN SPACES LEVY.



Bitter Lake – Linden Ave N and N 143rd St.
New, \$104,000. Built along three terraces, the garden is a long-awaited addition to the neighborhood.

Kirke Park – 7028 9th Ave NW.
New, \$44,000. Garden boasts a shed whose style references the Norwegian church previously on the site.

Licton Springs – Meridian Ave N and N 92nd St.
New, \$140,000. Garden connects the neighborhood with the North Seattle College community.

Eastlake – 2900 Fairview Ave E.
Expansion, \$11,000. Expansion doubled the garden's size and increased the space dedicated to growing produce for donation.

Broadway Hill – Federal Ave E and E Republican St.
New, \$16,000. Small garden will be nestled in a new park in an area with high demand for community garden space.

Unpaving Paradise – 200 Summit Ave E.
New, \$150,000. Garden transformed a parking lot into a new garden within the popular Summit Slope Park.

"Seattle Farms" Urban Agriculture Pilot: Yesler – 1415 E Yesler Way.
New, \$35,000. Pilot project promotes use of public property for urban farming for market.

Spring Street – 25th Ave E and E Spring St.
New, \$20,000. Small garden brings corner lot to life with cheerful birdhouses and garden plots.

Judkins – 2315 S Norman St.
Expansion, \$50,000. Expansion added plots as well as a new shed, gathering space, and welcoming border gardens.

Seattle Community Farm – 2700 S Lilac St.
New, \$60,000. 1/3-acre garden is dedicated to growing food for donation to the neighboring food bank.

Beacon Food Forest – 15th Ave S and S Dakota St.
New, \$104,000. Permaculture methods are showcased on 1.75 acres of fruit trees, perennials, and annual garden plots.

Maa nyel lal ndelc – 4913 Columbia Dr S.
Expansion, \$63,000. Expansion increased garden by 18,600 square feet and upgraded perimeter

Hillman – 4613 S Lucile St.
Expansion, \$44,000. Expansion added new plots and improved strolling pathways through the garden.

John C. Little Park – 6961 37th Ave S.
New, \$86,000. Terraced garden adds a vibrant element to a neighborhood park.

New Holly Youth and Family – 32nd Ave S. and S. Brighton St.
Expansion, \$60,000. Expansion more than doubled the size of this garden, improved existing plots, and added a new gathering area.

Leo St. – 5106 S Leo St.
New, \$66,000. Garden provides sunny garden plots and a needed space for neighbors to gather.

Schwabacher House – 1715 NW 58th St.
New, \$7,000. Standing-height beds make gardening available for low income senior residents.

Hazel Heights – 4200 Baker Ave NW.
New, \$25,000. New terraced garden features a cistern for using reclaimed water, along with an inviting stairway.

Magnolia Manor – 3415 27th Ave W.
New, \$63,000. Garden makes growing space and public land with lovely views accessible to all.

UpGarden at Seattle Center – Rooftop of 650 3rd Ave N.
New, \$147,000. On the converted rooftop of a parking garage, this garden abounds with auto-themed art and creativity.

Chancery Place – 910 Marion St.
New, \$10,000. Low income seniors now garden on the rooftop of their building.

Horiuchi Park – 156 Boren Ave.
New, \$50,000. Landscape design was inspired by work of Seattle mural artist and park's namesake, Paul Horiuchi.

West Genesee – 4101 SW Genesee St.
New, \$11,000. Pint-sized garden enlivens a neighborhood block.

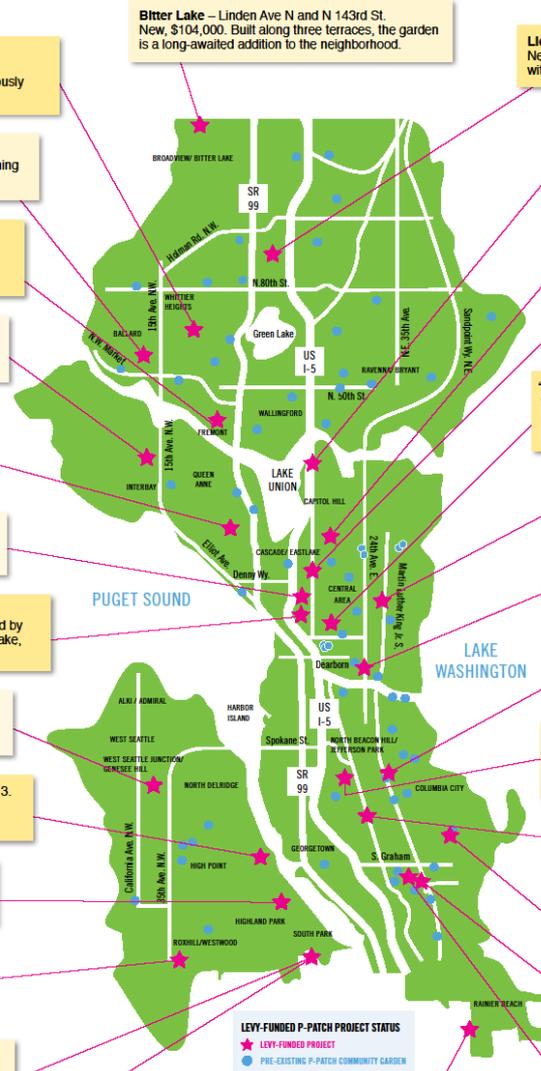
Nickelsville – Transferred to new locations in 2013.
New, \$5,000. Transportable planters created a moveable garden for homeless residents.

Westcrest Park – 9000 8th Ave SW.
New, \$86,000. Large garden creates space for many households of all sizes to mingle while gardening.

Barton St. – 3405 SW Barton St.
New, \$318,000. On land acquired via the levy, this garden is laid out in a spider web pattern full of artistic expression.

"Seattle Farms" Urban Agriculture Pilot: Marra – 9026 4th Ave S.
Expansion, \$6,000. Pilot project promotes use of public property for urban farming for market.

Marra Farm Pilot Market Garden – 9026 4th Ave S.
Expansion, \$12,000. Pilot project offers low income gardeners opportunity to develop production and market gardening skills.



LEVY-FUNDED P-PATCH PROJECT STATUS
 ★ LEVY-FUNDED PROJECT
 ★ PRE-EXISTING P-PATCH COMMUNITY GARDEN

Leveraged Resources for Success

- Collaboration with city departments and other agencies
- Partnerships with non-profits and CBO's
- **Community & Volunteer Contributions!**



Inclusive Engagement and Community Building



Demonstrating Sustainability



Adaptive Re-use and Education



Improving Food Access



Credit: John Bolivar

Plot Sizing 2013 and 2014

Goals

- Achieve fairness and equity in allocation of space
- Establish maximum plot sizes at each P-Patch
- Base on its size and average wait time



Plot Sizing 2013 and 2014

Implementation

- Phase 1 – Complete by December 31, 2013
- Phase 2 – Complete by December 31, 2014 for immigrant and refugee gardeners with limited English proficiency.

Plot Sizing Phase 1

Objective

- 45 families in 13 P-Patches affected
- Space opens for 70 families



Outcome

- Space opened for 90 families

Plot Sizing Phase 2

Objective

- 60 families projected
- Families represent 4 limited-English speaking cultures in 26 P-Patches

Outcome

- 50 families affected
- 21 plots open up



P-Patch Next Steps

Metropolitan Park District

- \$200,000 / year



Focus: Rejuvenate Our P-Patches

- Enhance accessibility
- Update infrastructure