

The Ruth and Paul Lemp Memorial Community Garden at COSLC has become a 10,000 square foot gathering place for the neighborhood. Our goal is to provide a safe place for neighborhood interaction and a source of healthful food for those experiencing food insecurity.







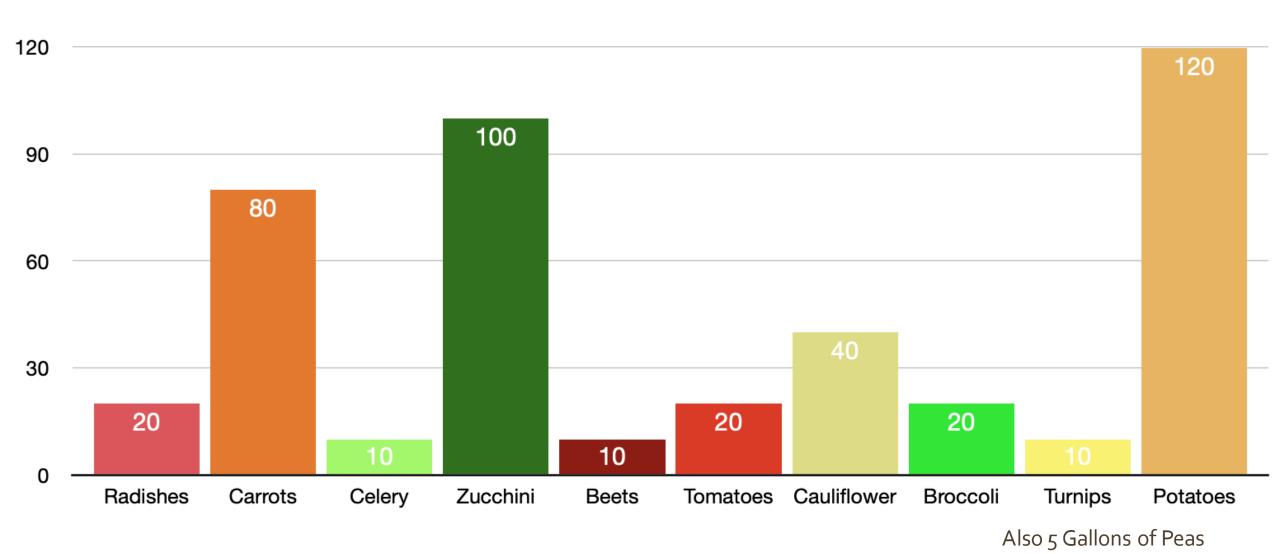




- 450-gallon water tank was installed
- 30 VEGO-Garden raised beds were assembled & placed on site
- 2 picnic tables were installed
- Two garden beds grew potatoes for LSSA
- COSLC sponsored a dedication picnic for all gardeners and supporters
- 28 garden beds were occupied by gardeners from a neighboring senior housing complex (some gardeners had more than one bed for the season)
- A gardener's newsletter began publication



Estimation of Amount of Food Grown in Pounds



Plans for 2023:

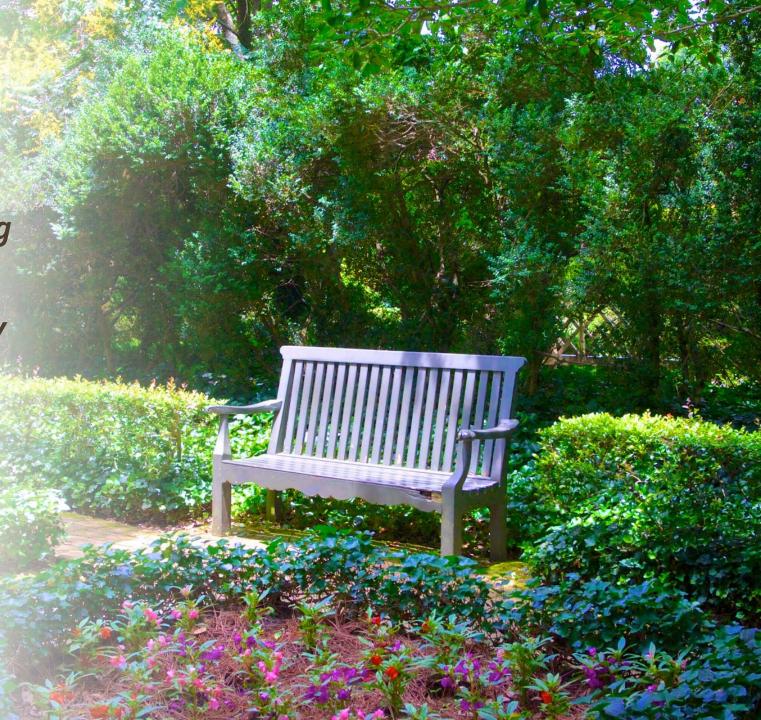
- 20 more garden beds will be added
- Installation of another 450gallon water tank
- 4 wooden benches will be donated
- COSLC will be hosting various gardening workshops. The church is committed to providing individuals the opportunity to grow healthy food and become more food-secure.



PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

 We envision the area surrounding the garden as a gathering place for neighbors who have limited green space available where they live. We hope to build a small "pocket park" with a paved pathway leading from the sidewalk along Old Seward Highway to an area between the fence and the row of trees that will include benches and a picnic area.

• *we have applied for grants through AARP, TOTE Maritime and the Albertson's Foundation.



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