

August 8, 2025

Dear Friend,

The Dorchester Garden Club is excited to share an opportunity to invest in something that grows more than just vegetables – it grows young minds, healthy habits, and stronger communities, The Youth Garden program sponsored by this club and held at the Pauline F. & W. Robbins Y in Cambridge MD.

This coming season, we are embarking on our 3rd year partnering with the “Y” to host, maintain and fund the very popular Youth Garden Program. This is a hands -on, educational gardening experience for local Cambridge youth. Through planting, nurturing and harvesting crops, children in the after-care and summer camp programs at the Y learn not only where their food comes from, and vital life skills like teamwork, responsibility, and environmental stewardship.

To ensure another successful year in the garden, the Youth Garden program is seeking community sponsors for each of the 13 raised beds in the garden. Sponsorship directly supports:

* Soil, seeds, and tools for their sponsored garden bed.
* Educational materials and gardening workshops
* Healthy snacks and tasty samples made from what the children grow.
* Continued mentorship and environmental education year-round.

As a sponsor, you will receive:

* Recognition on a garden sign, and our website.
* Links to our social media accounts posting updates, sponsor mentions and photos throughout the growing season.
* The rewarding satisfaction of knowing you are helping these kids learn more about a healthy lifestyle and what they can do themselves at home with their families to maintain a garden and grow food.

Sponsorship of one of our 13 raised beds is available to interested individuals, businesses, family or friend groups. Get your group together and apply for one of these spots at your earliest convenience. Your $300 sponsorship plants far more than seeds – it sows opportunity.

Please consider supporting this important Dorchester Garden Club initiative and responding to this request along with the completed registration form by mailing a check (made out to Dorchester Garden Club). We would love to have all beds committed and funding in place for the 2026 growing season by December 1, 2025.

Thank you for growing with us, warm regards,

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