

Visit our allies in the movement towards a healthy urban environment and community! Seattle Tilth is part of much larger work all over our city and beyond. Multitudes of creative urban agriculture and social justice projects and organizations exist in Seattle.

Tour these gardens to help create an interconnected web of support for organic gardening, natural resource conservation and nourishing local food systems.

Seattle Tilth

Seattle Tilth began in 1978 when a group of neighbors decided to create an urban agriculture center in Seattle. Begun as a local chapter of the regional Tilth Association, Seattle Tilth's Good Shepherd Center Demonstration Garden in Wallingford is a hub for the education of urban gardeners young and old. The Master Composter/Soil Builder program, Garden Hotline, Children's Garden, garden volunteers and diverse classes all support and celebrate the practice of urban agriculture.

Seattle Youth Garden Works (SYGW) at the Center for Urban Horticulture

Situated next door to the Union Bay Natural Area, SYGW's University Gardens Project supports a growing youth-empowerment program. The small garden provides space for youth to cultivate organic vegetables, herbs and flowers for sale at various local markets. Established in 1995, the program now runs three crews a year for three months each with ten youth on each crew.

Danny Woo Garden

The Danny Woo International District Community Garden is a unique urban garden that provides gathering space, community gardening allotments, a children's garden, natural walking trails and public art. The 1.5-acre garden in the International District offers over 100 garden allotments that are preferentially provided to low-income community residents over the age of 65.

Marra Farm

The South Park neighborhood of Seattle is home to Marra Farms. Solid Ground manages this community farm on 4 acres of preserved historic farmland. Through hands-on education and sustainable agriculture practices, Marra Farm produces over 13,000 pounds of food each year and donates to local food banks and lunch programs.

Department of Neighborhoods P-Patch Program

The Department of Neighborhoods P-Patch Program, in conjunction with the not-for-profit P-Patch Trust, provides 68 gardens for residents throughout Seattle with another 4+ gardens to be added in 2009.

To acquire a P-Patch allotment, sign up to be included on the waitlist at:

www.seattle.gov.neighborhoods/ppatch.waitlist.htm

or call (206) 684 - 0264. ● Existing P-Patch Location

Urban Garden Share

By matching homeowners (with garden space) to gardeners (with experience), Urban Garden Share is the perfect solution for cultivating both food production and community. The web site features available listings and garden/gardener profiles to peruse. If you are on the 1-2 year waitlist for a P-Patch, this is a great alternative! Access the listings at www.urbangardenshare.org.

Picardo P-Patch

Picardo Farm is the original Seattle community garden (the "P" in P-Patch stands for Picardo). In 1974 the City of Seattle bought the farm which was already being used by the neighborhood for community gardening and started the P-Patch program. Tucked into the Wedgwood neighborhood, Picardo is tended by over 250 gardeners and boasts "Seattle's best soil."

UW Farm at the University of Washington

Developed in 2004, the UW farm serves as a hands-on educational tool to connect the university community with where and how food is grown. Located beside the botany greenhouses on campus in the University District, this farm/garden features year-round organic vegetable growing, a permaculture garden, and a cob oven!

Bradner Gardens Park

This 1.6 acre park in the Mount Baker neighborhood hosts diverse programs and gardeners. P-Patches, Master Gardener ornamental borders, public art and sustainably built structures have packed this urban oasis since its birth in 2000. Bradner is also a Seattle Tilth demonstration garden site and includes raised beds, swale gardening, soil building, drip irrigation and year round vegetable gardening.

Rainier Beach Learning Garden

The Rainier Beach Learning Garden, located on the campuses of two schools and a community center, provides garden education opportunities to children and adults. The garden creates a dynamic living classroom for teaching ecology and sustainability, and allows young people to experience the natural world up close and first-hand. With raised beds and shade trees for contemplation, the garden provides an opportunity for children to participate in the cycle of growing food and eating it.

