Winter Park
Community Garden
Installation with Fleet Farming

This project is made possible by a grant provided by the Central Florida Foundation
Fleet Farming is a non-profit urban agriculture program of IDEAS For Us that transforms the average American lawn into a bio-verse, productive micro farms and edible gardens.

Our mission is to empower all generations to grow food to increase local food accessibility.

Our vision is to create localized food systems that bring communities together towards a healthier, more connected world in harmony with people and planet. We accomplish this by converting underutilized lawn space into productive localized edible gardens or micro farms.

From transforming lawns into farms, and selling produce at local markets, we are healing our community by:
- Creating green jobs
- Growing healthy produce
- Environmental habitat restoration and conscious land management
- Localizing food systems
- Educating the local community on environmental, ecology, and sustainable agriculture

The real world outcomes are not only environmental, but social, and economic as well.
Edible Landscapes is a landscaping service of Fleet Farming to grows edible and native gardens. Our aim is to support school gardens, community gardens, and residential gardens with plants that improve the lives of our community.

Let’s Grow More! A motto that shares our intention as non-profit growers aiming to change the world one plant at a time.

With the ability to plant and expand gardens all throughout our communities, our Edible Landscapes service is an impactful tool for community members to meet their garden goals while empowering our communities to grow their own food and to provide the botanical means to take control of their health.

Our approach prioritizes comprehensive earth stewardship, incorporating both modern organic farming techniques and traditional methods. Concepts such as permaculture, back to Eden, and food forestry align closely with many indigenous practices. Our focus is on practical application rather than labels, as we strive to increase agricultural productivity while preserving ancestral wisdom. By seamlessly integrating these practices into everyday landscapes, we produce abundant food sources without drawing attention to our methods.
We partnered with the Central Florida Foundation and All Saints Episcopal Church in Winter Park to create a community garden that will be open to the community and provide fresh local produce. The garden will be utilized and maintained by the Church’s youth group as well as our Edible Landscapes team in order to ensure its longevity and success.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The community garden features:

- **Raised Garden Beds**: for the purpose of growing specialty vegetables, and herbs.
- **The Gardenia Bed**: an in ground bed for growing many perennial edible and herbal plants, fruit trees, and native pollinator plants.
- **Parlor Bed**: a narrow in ground garden bed located beside the raised beds to grow other smaller flowers and herbs.
- **Garden Arbor**: entrance into the garden with a beautiful honeysuckle vine growing up.
- **Fruit Trees**: Mango, Avocado, Peach, Cherry, and Loquat trees
- **Edible and Herbal Plants**: include rosemary, pineapple, cucumbers, eggplant, tomatoes, strawberries, lemongrass, blackberries, mint, basil, lemon balm, fennel, etc.

The garden sits directly across the street from the walking entrance to Rollins College. Being right off of Park Avenue, and in conjunction with the Churches congregation, the garden will be an inviting space that will provide many families with healthy produce. This shared space will be a beacon of many plants that can be duplicated with cuttings, and planted in homes around the Central Florida community for years to come. The garden will produce more and more produce every year, with an average yield of 200 lbs/year.

Engaging the Winter Park community.
Your support makes a difference in our community. Thank you!

Please let us know if we can be helpful in any way.

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