



ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

2023 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Planting Veggies, Growing Community



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**Land Stewards of Indianapolis, Inc.**



## INVESTMENT

**\$3,000**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

With the support from the MIBOR ECDC, Land Stewards of Indianapolis was able to hire the Ross Garden manager for the 2023 season. This person was able to spend 2 days per week engaging neighbors in volunteering in the garden, educating them on gardening and about vegetables and promoting the garden to members of the community so they were able to benefit from the fresh vegetables produced in the midst of the food desert the community resides in. The garden manager was also critical in executing a free event for the community that was held in partnership with a chef from P30 to educate neighbors on cooking with vegetables complete with cooking demonstrations. The vegetables for this event were those grown in the community garden.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Greenspace Improvements
- Advocates for Expanding Greenspaces and Beautification Efforts
- Fosters Community Engagement and Participation
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive and Collaborative
- Promotes Inclusive Activation and Programming
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Active Living
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities

