## Appendix 1. Gardener Survey

Through this survey, we would like to know more about your interest in participating in a community garden, your gardening techniques, your diet, your access to varied food, and basic demographic features. We are aware that some information in this survey may be sensitive, and we want to assure you that all information you provide will remain completely confidential and will be used exclusively for the purpose of this study. This survey is completely voluntary; please feel free to skip any questions or to stop at any time. Thank you for your time!

1. Garden Name: $\qquad$
2. Date: $\qquad$
3. Age: $\qquad$
4. How many family members do you live with?
o 0
o 1-3 o 4-6
o 7-1
o 10+
5. How many other people do you live with?
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o 0 o 1-3 o 4-6 o 7-1 o 10+
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6. How many people in your family (including you) are?:
o Women over 18
o Men over 18
o Girls 0-18 years old
o Boys 0-18 years old
7. What is your gender?
o Male
o Female
8. What is the ethnicity of your family (mark all that apply)?:
o White
o Hispanic or Latino
o Black or African American
o Native American or American Indian
o Asian/Pacific Islander
o Other
9. What is the national origin of you or your parents, if not U.S.A.?
10. Is there a language other than English spoken at your home?:
o Yes
o No
If so, what language(s)?: $\qquad$
11. How far away do you live from the garden?:
o $<1$ mile
o $1-5$ miles
o 10 miles
o $>10$ miles
12. What are the primary sources of employment for you and other members of your immediate family (mark all that apply)?:
o Agriculture
o Gardening
o Construction
o Sales
o Domestic Service
o Education
o Legal Services
o Health Services
o Office Administration
o Technological Services
o Restaurant/Food Service
o Other $\qquad$ (employment type)
13. What is the average annual income earned in your immediate family?:
o \$0-\$10,000 o \$10,000-\$19,999
o \$20,000-\$29,999 о \$30,000-\$39,999
o \$40,000-\$49,000 o \$50,000-\$74,999
o $\$ 75,000+\quad$ o I'd rather not say
14. What is your highest level of completed education?
o No formal schooling
o Elementary school
o Middle school
o Some high school
o High school graduate
o Trade/technical/vocational training
o Some college
o Associate degree
o Bachelor's degree
o Master's degree
o Professional degree
o Doctorate degree
15. How long have you been gardening?
$\qquad$ years
16. List the top reasons why you garden?
A. $\qquad$
B. $\qquad$
C. $\qquad$
17. How many hours per week do you spend at this garden?
18. Which crops do you grow in your garden?

| o Tomato | o Tomatillo | o Beans | o Corn | o Amaranth | o Artichoke |
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| o Arugula | o Asparagus | o Beet | o Bitter <br> melon | o Broccoli | o Cabbage |
| o Carrot | o Cucumber | o Eggplant | o Kale | o Leek | o Lettuce |
| o Mustard | o Parsnip | o Peppers | o Potato | o Squash | o Chard |
| o Basil | o Dill | o Cilantro | o Oregano | o Garlic | o Thyme |
| o Mint | o Lavender | o Strawberry |  |  |  |

List other crops you grow:
19. Which flowers or ornamentals do you grow in your garden?
o Dahlia
o Borage
o Iris
o Calendula
o Nasturtium
o Sunflower
o Zinnia
o Cosmos
o Rose

List other ornamentals you grow:
20. Do you have problems with pests or diseases in your garden?
o Yes
o No
o Don't know
If yes, which of the following methods do you use to protect your crops from pests or diseases (mark all that apply)?
o Hand remove pests
o Organic, purchased sprays
o Homemade sprays
o Pesticides
o Release ladybugs
o Other:
21. Do you add any soil amendments in your garden?
o Yes
o No
If so, what do you add?
o Fertilizer o Compost
o Manure o Worm castings
o Blood meal o Cover crop
o Mulch o Other $\qquad$
22. Where do you get soil amendments you add (mark all that apply)?:
o Purchase
o Garden management
o From other gardeners
o Make it yourself o Other
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23. Who taught you how to garden or farm?
o Family member o Friend
o Self-taught o Workshop/Class
o Other gardeners o Other
24. How many pounds of fruits, vegetables, and herbs to you harvest from your garden every week during summer (May-October)?
o 0 lbs
o $1-5 \mathrm{lbs}$
o 6-10 lbs
o 11-20 lbs
o $20 \mathrm{lbs}+$
o Don't know
The next six questions are standard questions developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
The following are several statements that people have made about their food situation. For these statements, please indicate whether the statement was often true, sometimes true, or never true (for you/your household) in the last 12 months:
25. "The food that (I/we) bought just didn't last, and (I/we) didn't have money to get more." o Often true o Sometimes true o Never true o Don't know
26. "(I/we) couldn't afford to eat balanced meals"
o Often true o Sometimes true o Never true o Don't know
27. In the last 12 months, since last (name of current month), did (you/ or other adults in your household) ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?
o Yes o No o Don't know
If so, how often did this happen?
o Almost every month
o Some months but not every month
o Only for 1 or 2 months
o Don't know
28. In the last 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money for food?
o Yes o No o Don't know
29. In the last 12 months, were you ever hungry but didn't eat because there wasn't enough money for food?
o Yes o No o Don't know
30. Has a doctor ever told you that you are at risk or have any of the following?:
o Diabetes
o Cancer
o Asthma
o Cardiac Disease
o Hypertension
o Obesity
o Other persistent health problems
31. Has gardening had a positive impact on you or your family's well-being?
o Yes
o No
If so, how?

## Thank you for your participation!

