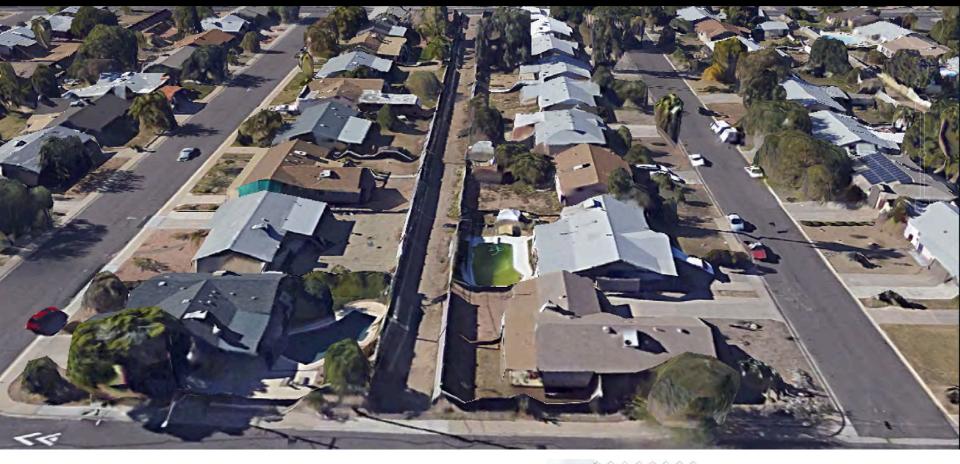
## Neighborhoods Food Production Partnership:

Homeowner-based Commercial Urban Agriculture MLA

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## Introduction









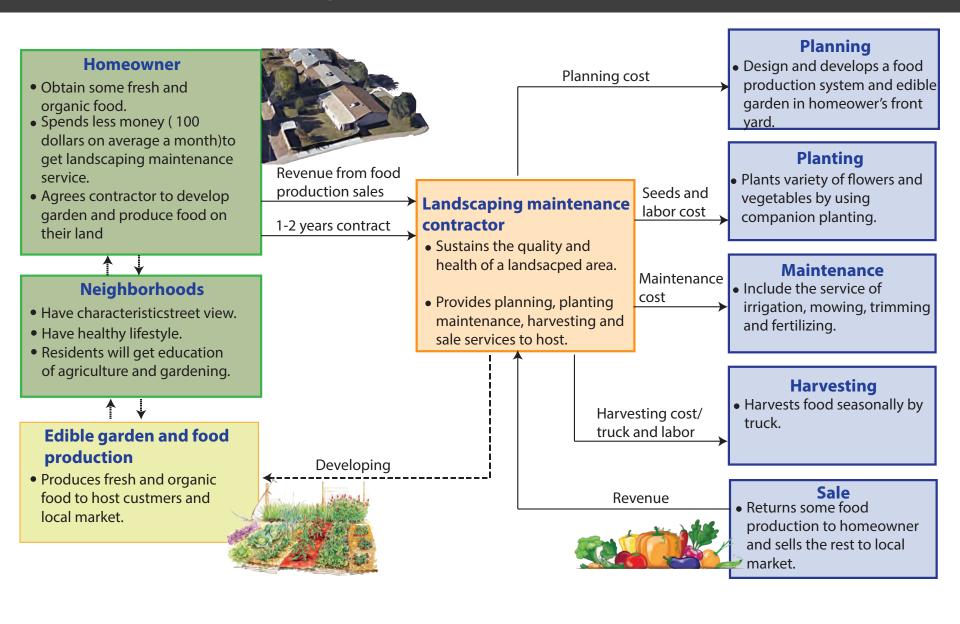
**EDIBLE GARDEN** 

HOME FOOD PRODUCTION

LOCAL FOOD MARKET

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE

### Roles of Neighborhoods Food Production Partnership



### Local Food Production on residential lots is saleable

Summary of Economic Costs and Benefits of Home Vegetable Gardens

Source	Cost			7 7	Net Value			
	*Materials and Supplies	Hours of Labor	*Fair Market Cost of Labor	*Value	*Net Value (including Labor Costs)	*Net Value (excluding Labor Costs)	Net Value / square foot (including Labor Costs)	Net Value / square foot (excluding Labor Costs)
Utzinger & Connolly, 1978	\$115	39	\$149	\$322	\$58	\$208	\$0.39	\$1.39
Stall, 1979	\$306	NR	NR	\$1585	NA	\$1279	NA	\$2.13
Stephens et al., 1980	\$162	23	\$201	\$1082	\$720	\$921	\$0.51	\$0.66
Stephens et al., 1980	\$200	68	\$594	\$1172	\$379	\$973	\$0.59	\$1.53
Cleveland et al., 1985	\$187	153	\$1104	\$333	-\$959	\$145	-\$1.16	\$0.17
Cleveland et al., 1985	\$217	111	\$800	\$385	-\$633	\$167	-\$1.01	\$0.27
Doiron, 2009	\$305	NR	NR	\$2072	NA	\$1767	NA	\$1.18
Roth, 2011	\$343	54	\$463	\$651	-\$155	\$308	-\$0.18	\$0.35
Roth, 2011	\$380	72	\$650	\$876	-\$154	\$496	-\$0.18	\$0.56
Roth, 2011	\$158	48	\$421	\$678	\$99	\$520	\$0.11	\$0.59
Mean	\$237	71	\$548	\$916	-\$81	\$678	-\$0.11	\$0.88
Standard Deviation	\$85	40	\$293	\$546	\$499	\$515	\$0.67	\$0.64
Median	\$209	61	\$528	\$777	-\$48	\$508	-\$0.11	\$0.66

### Local Food Production on residential lots is saleable

Calculation of economic cost and value of Neighborhoods Food Production Partnership (One year per 1000sq.ft)

Cost		Net Value		
Material	•	Value of Field(Production)		
Seeds	200 I	Beets	1311	
Soil amendm	100 I	Lettuce	630	
plant starts	200 I	Basil	1848	
mulch	50 I	Marigold	200	
		Beans	735	
Supply	I	Leeks	306	
fertilizers	100			
water	300			
Total	950		5030	
	l	Net Value	4080	

Cost of labor 38000/year Value of labor maintenance 2000sq.ft/hour one labor one day can maintain 16000sq.ft

#### Coclusion

So the minimum amount of homeowners needed to start a commercial enterprise is 20 or it is needed about 20000 square feet land to produce food. If we don't have 20000 square feet land, we cannot balance the front cost.

http://www.plangarden.com/app/vegetable\_value/

## Site Analysis: Existing Condition

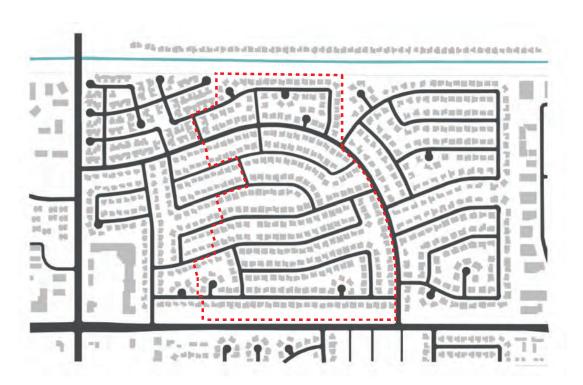
Location: Mission Valley , North Chandler

Year Built: 1982

Lot Size on Average: 8000-9000Sq. ft Front Yard Size on Average: 1000Sq.ft

Household Income: \$50,000/year

**Homeowner Association Community** 









### Water Issue



Water will be a big issue to produce food in neighborhoods.

Saving water is a good way to lower the cost.

On average homeowner will spend \$100 every month to pay the irrigation in 1000 square feet.

### Water Issue: How to save water







### Mulch and woodchips

Mulches of manure or compost will be incorporated naturally into the soil by the activity of worms and other organisms.

Mixing the mulch with soil and putting woodchips on top of the soil will help the soil hold water for longer time to prevent evaporation

It will save half amount of water that usually use to irrigate the plants.

### Water Issue: How to save water

### Swimming Pool Backflow to Irrigate

Save 300 gallons portable water per month

Salt-tolerant plants: Can use pool/spa water	Moderately sensitive plants: Limited use of pool/spa water	Plants sensitive to salt: Do not use pool/spa water	
Oleander	Glossy Privet	Fruit Trees	
Evergreen Euonymas	Pyracantha	Star Jasmine	
Rosemary	Lantana	Roses	
Bougainvillea	Xylosma	Algerian Ivy	
Natal Plum	Juniper	Fraser's Photinia	
Texas Ranger	Bottlebrush	Chinese Hibiscus	
Olive	Most Acacia Species	Willow	
Native Mesquite	Palo Verde	Hopbush A	
Desert Broom	Yucca	Jojoba Alli	
Saltbush	Others	Others	
Aloe	200000		
Deer Grass			
Bear Grass			
Ice Plant			
Japanese Honeysuckle	7 1		
Others			

### **Birds Control**

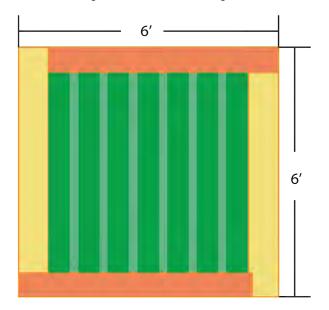
#### **Visual Bird Deterrents**

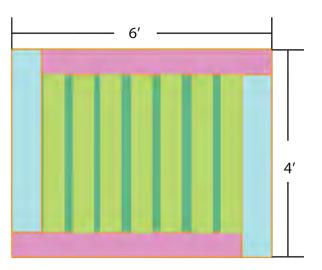
Visual scare devices are things like plastic owls and coyotes, Terror Eyes balloons, and shiny tape. Anything that is supposed to irritate or make the birds feel unsafe by appealing to their visual sense is classified as a visual scare. (Tom Starling, 2011)



## **Design Concept**

## Companion planting



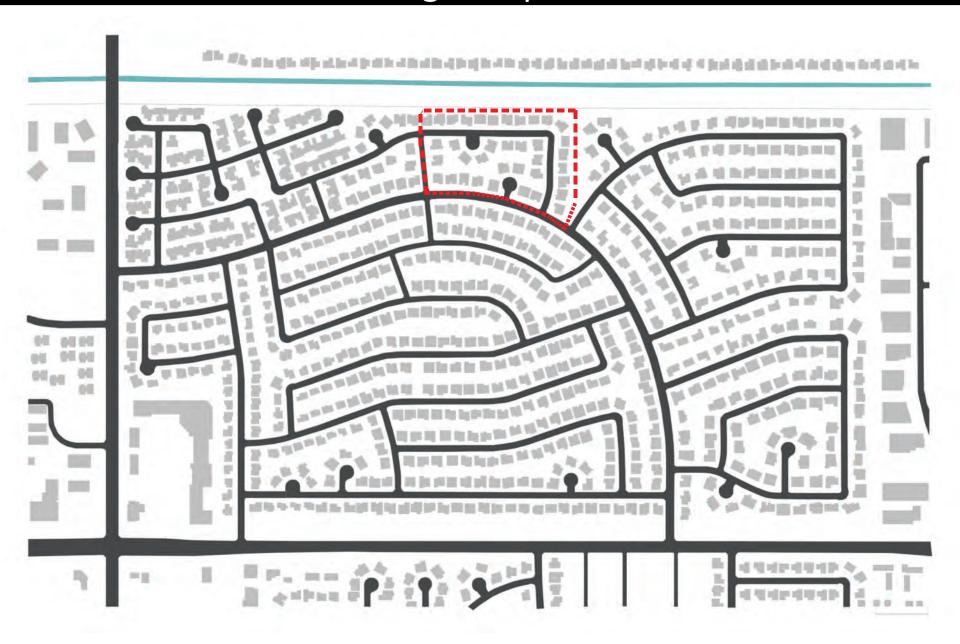


Using companion planting through out the landscape is an important part of integrated pest management.

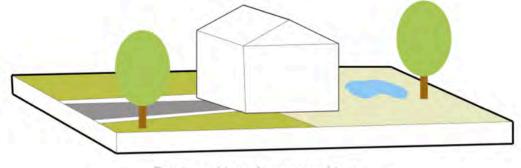
So one of my design concept is that as 6 feet by 6 feet and 6 feet by 4 feet to be an unit to plant vegetables inside and plant flowers around them to group them together.



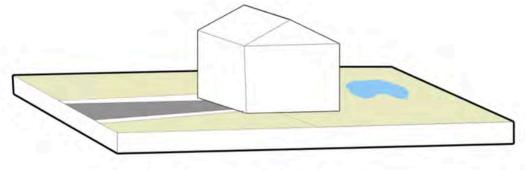
## **Design Proposal**



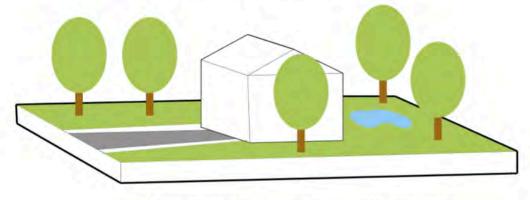
## Design Proposal: Front Yard Existing Types







Front yard type 2 : sand and gravel



Front yard type 1: trees and designed landscape







## Design Proposal: Plan



## Design Proposal: Plants

### Seasonal Vegetables

JanuaryApril	MayJune	JuneJuly	JulySept	SeptOctober	OctDec
Carrots	Blackberries	Leeks	Chiles	Green beans	Carrots
Bok choy	Garlic	Garlic	black eye peas	-	Bok choy
Lettuce	Leeks	Green beans	Green beans		Lettuce



Carrots



**Bok choy** 



Lettuce



**Blackberries** 



Green beans



Chiles

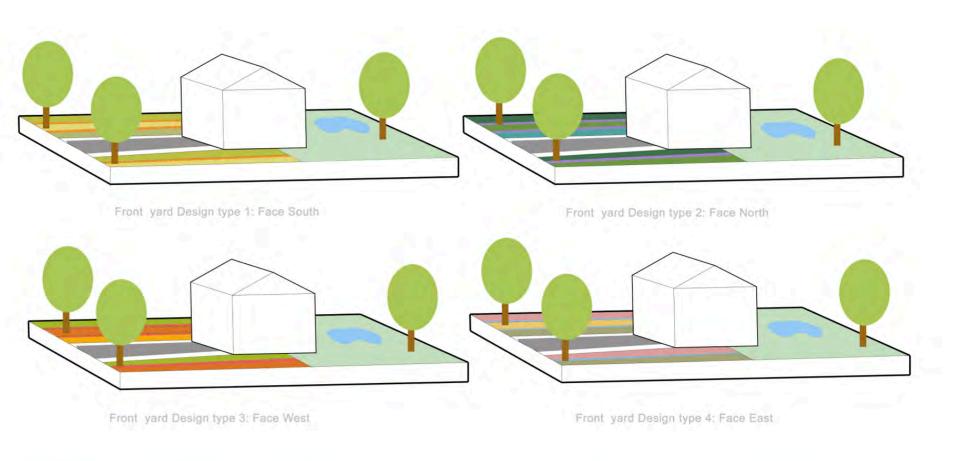


black eye peas



Garlic

## Design Proposal: Analysis and Section





# Design Proposal: Perspective



## **Design Performance**

### Quadruple Bottom Lin

**Economic** 

Creates 146,880 dollars value of field per year

**Ecological** 

Reduces 4800 gallons portable water use per year.

Social

Produces 28 tons organic food production

Aesthetic

Builds 36000sq.ft Street landscape in neighborhoods