



# Gardens Network Micro-Grant Program

## 2021 Garden Enhancement Grant Information

### General Information

Your garden may be a good candidate for a micro-grant from The Gardens Network. Grants are administered by Rooted WI, Inc. and awarded by the Gardens Network Team. Funds for the micro-grant program come from a fund established with money from the City of Madison’s general budget and a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which has been supplemented by individual donors, gardens’ contributions of a portion of their plot fee income, and proceeds from our annual Gardens Network Summit. The maximum grant awarded per garden will be \$500.

Projects may consist of a wide variety of enhancements to your garden, including but not limited to:

- COVID-19 Responses
- Tools
- Community engagement
- Gardener education
- Community food areas (fruit/nut trees/berries)
- Benches
- Bird houses
- Informational signs
- Pollinator habitat
- Raised garden beds
- Pollinator projects
- Little Libraries
- Soil amendments
- Garden art
- Programs for teens
- A plan to contribute produce to food pantries

### Eligibility and Requirements

- Your community garden must be open to the public, located in Dane County and up-to date on contributions of 10% of your plot fees to the Gardens Network.
- Gardens who receive funding **must submit an end of season report by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**, demonstrating what has been accomplished. Reports must be a minimum of one paragraph long and include two shareable high-resolution photos of the project (with consent of release from people in photos). Your project does not have to be complete in order to send a report. Please submit reports to Rooted WI, Inc via mail or email (addresses listed below). *\*If you do not submit a report by November 1st, you will not be considered for a grant the following year.*

### Due Date

Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, at 11:59 PM

Please go to <https://danegardens.net/micro-grant-program/> to download the application.

<b><u>Applications may be sent electronically to:</u></b> gardens@rootedwi.org. Please put ‘Garden Enhancement Grant Application’ in the subject line.	<b>OR</b>	<b><u>Applications may be submitted by mail to:</u></b> Rooted WI, Inc Attn: Gardens Network 2702 International Ln., Suite 200 Madison WI 53704
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**Questions about the application?** Email us at [gardens@rootedwi.org](mailto:gardens@rootedwi.org) or call (608) 236-3478.

We hope that your garden plans germinate, grow, bloom, and bear fruit! Thanks again for your interest and for your work enhancing a garden in your community.

Sincerely,  
Gardens Network Team