

# MIDVALE SCHOOL & COMMUNITY GARDEN

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<http://www.midvaleproject.net/newgarden2.html>

## OUR STORY:

The Midvale Community Garden consists of two main sections: the community garden plots and the school gardens. We have 40 community garden plots that are rented to community gardeners on a sliding scale, set to be affordable for everyone.

## OTHER SUCCESSES:

Awarded a \$3900 Grant from the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission, which provided funds for our sculptural entryway.

Each spring and fall the school garden committee hosts an all-school garden party for Midvale families. Children in chef's hats navigate the crowd with trays of garden-fresh appetizers cooked on-site by volunteer chefs and a delicious, free meal follows.

Community garden plot fees help provide funds for tools and other needed resources.

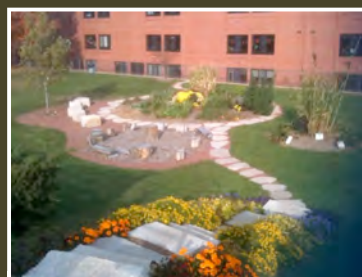
## WHAT WE GROW:



In 2007, 70 fruit trees and shrubs were planted with help from the Fruit Tree Planting Foundation.



The students help plant a variety of vegetables including gourds, corn, squash, lettuce, spinach, tomatoes and peppers.



Our school garden includes a sunflower hut, bean teepees and a global garden representing our students' many cultures.

## TIPS:



A local carpenter helped us build our 'living-rooftop' shed. This structure holds all the tools that are used in the garden.



Students were able to work with local metal artist, Erika Koivunen, to design a sculptural entryway to the garden using found objects.



We rented a bobcat to scrape the top layer of sod off the school grounds.