



Merchantville GREEN TEAM



INCREDIBLE EDIBLE MERCHANTVILLE



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Sustainable Jersey PSEG Grant Request \$2,000

Merchantville Organic Community Garden

- 1) Build two Incredible Edible 10' X 20' beds
- 2) Plant native fruit trees along tennis court fence
- 3) Build a three bin composting system

Project will be led by two Green Team members as part of their Rutgers Environmental Stewards project











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MERCHANTVILLE
ORGANIC
COMMUNITY
GARDEN



10:28

Merchantville Organic...

Kerry Mentzer
Admin Mar 20 · 🌐

What a great way to celebrate the first day of spring. Many helping hands at the Community Garden today clearing beds and building a 3 part composter. What skilled and wonderful residents make up this lovely town! Thank you all!

20 1 Comment Seen by 65

Love Comment Share

Lisa Wood Smith
Great things will be growing soon!

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10:31

Merchantville Organic...

Dorothy Murray Foley
Admin Jan 13 · 🌐

Welcome to our new group page! Let's work together to make our garden grow!

23 4 Comments Seen by 36

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Esther N Charlie Coar
I was thinking today for my garden I need Sunflow... See More

Like Reply 2

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10:19

Merchantville Green Te...

Merchantville Organic Community Garden now has three native fruiting Paw Paw trees thanks to a grant from Sustainable Jersey funded by the PSEG Foundation, a generous donation from the Merchantville Observer and a collaboration between the Me... See More

42 7 Comments 5 Shares

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The Incredible Edible gardens, native pollinator habitat, composting system, paw paw trees and rain barrel were made possible by a \$2,000 Sustainable Jersey grant funded by PSEG and a donation from the Merchantville Observer.

This project was facilitated by two Merchantville residents as part of the Rutgers Environmental Stewards program in 2020/2021.



PSEG

Foundation





Sustainable Jersey PSE&G 2020 Grant Award \$2,000

Vendor	Amount	Item/s
Leonberg	\$490.00	10 yards soil
Leonberg	\$145.01	4 yards mulch
Platts	\$37.50	Winterberry
Platts	\$18.00	Viburnum
Michaels	\$17.50	supplies for sign
Home Depot	\$54.29	supplies for sign
Lowe's	\$102.36	hardware for composter
Lowe's	\$73.23	supplies for composter
Medford Cedar*	\$198.70	supplies for composter
Home Depot	\$47.96	Hardware Cloth for composter
Home Depot	\$184.26	Hardware cloth IE Garden
Haines	\$165.00	Rain Barrel
Staples	\$47.29	Sign
Leonberg	\$172.00	3 yards soil
Name Plate & Panel Technology	\$250.00	plant label & donor recognition metal signs
Total	\$2,003.10	

*Medford Cedar reduced our bill \$200 when we told them it was for a community project

Native Pollinator & Reclamation Project (Mayor Brennan pledged \$700)

Vendor	Amount	Item/s
Platts	\$150.00	dogwood
Haines	\$180.00	triple shredded mulch
Leonbergs	\$135.00	3 yards

Platts	\$131.25	juniper & arossia
Cinnaminson Nursery	\$193.24	Inkberry ninebark viburnum
subtotal		\$324.49
Total	\$789.49	(all other natives propagated by Kerry & Shade Tree)
Paw Paw trees funded by Merchantville Observer donation		
Rutger Garden & Nursery	\$987.00	3 Paw Paw trees (asimina triloba)
	\$987.00	

Sustainable Jersey 2020 Innovation Award winner



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Merchantville Organic Community Garden



Incredible Edible Merchantville shared a **post** to the group:
Incredible Edible Merchantville.

[Admin](#) · September 2 · 🌐

Visit us at the Sustainability Market tonight! We're at the Green Team booth.

AT&T 5G E 5:38 PM 83%

Incredible Edible Mercha...

Incredible Edible Merchantville
Wednesday at 9:44 AM · 🌍

Donation pick-up and delivery to Grace Church Food Pantry from resident gardens on Lexington, Walnut, Browning and Collins Track Farm! Additional drop-offs to the pantry from residents on St. James and Chestnut. ❤️



11 2 Comments Interacting as your Page

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AT&T 5G E 5:48 PM 77%

Incredible Edible Mercha...

Incredible Edible Merchantville
June 1 at 6:05 PM · 🌍

Hi Everyone - At IE Merchantville food security is part of our mission and one of our top priorities. To that end, we are hoping to partner with local food banks to share our excess harvest during this growing season. Today, the Dolores F. Clark Food Pantry at Grace Church accepted our offer of surplus produce. Their pantry takes place on Wednesdays from 12-2PM.

If you have fresh greens and veges to donate please drop them off at the church (side door) to Peggy Stephens between 9-11AM this Wednesday, June 3rd. Please clean and bag any produce.

I will be creating some IE labels and distribute bags/labels to participating members by next week. Thanks!

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Incredible Edible Merchantville's Post

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Seen by 62 people

2 shares

Judy Craig
Grace Church Merchantville would like to send our sincere thanks to Incredible Edible Merchantville for your wonderful generosity to our food pantry!
Today we were able to help 93 families!
Thanks to all !!❤️

2d Love Reply 3

Incredible Edible Merchantville
Judy Craig you're very welcome!

2d Like Reply 1

Comment as Incredible Edibl... 📷 GIF 😊



Merchantville Organic Community Garden

Merchantville School Garden Club is amazing! The children planted garlic, and with the help of Merchantville Green Team added flower bulbs and leafy greens to their fall garden!





















Native Pollinator Hedgerow, Composting System &

Dorothy Foley & Kerry Mentzer Class of 2019

Incredible Edible Beds

Project Location: Merchantville/Camden

Project goals: Improve and expand a neglected community garden to include a native pollinator hedgerow, a 3-bin composting system and new plots for the Incredible Edible (IE) organization

Our work:

- Wrote grant to fund project/received \$2K from PSE&G and 1K from town news org
- Built hedgerow (60 native trees, perennials & shrubs), 3-bin composting system, IE vegetable beds
- Installed signage designed by local artists
- Expanded project scope – added rain barrel, 3 native 8' Paw Paw trees, 5 new garden beds, & created Facebook group
- Held community event/grand opening
- 25 volunteers/ 200 hours of work

Impact:

- Increased wildlife population, improved drainage, amended soil (25 yds)
- Improved space attracted volunteers, new gardeners, youth involvement, built community
- Introduced composting to the community providing space for hands on learning



A 7' X 50' native pollinator hedgerow, deflects run-off from the local golf course, increases wildlife habitat and biodiversity, and helps our community garden grow and thrive



Two 10' X 20' IE vegetable garden beds and a 3- bin composting system, broadens the Merchantville Organic Community Garden's impact



Our community event with over 30 attendees (including Mayor) introducing improvements & educating residents

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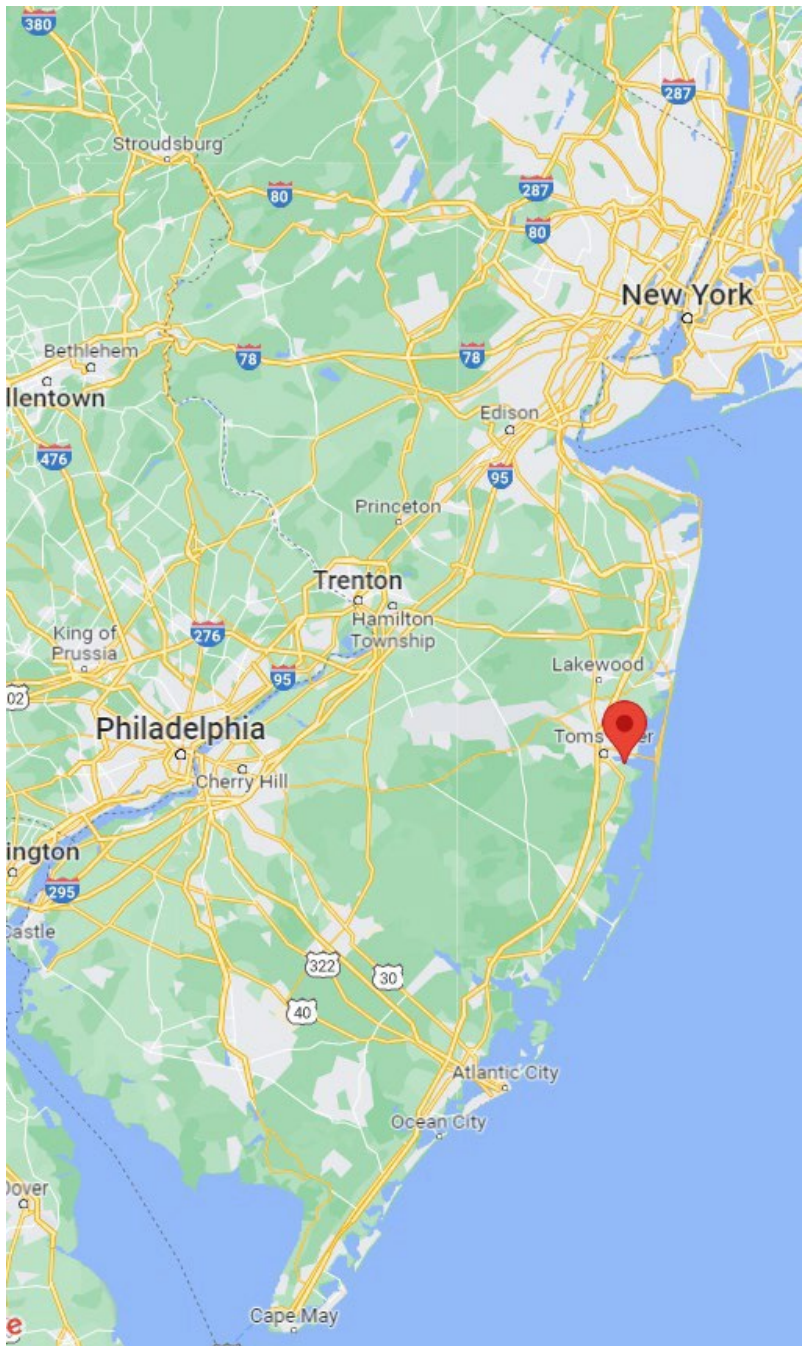
Borough of Island Heights

2019 Grant Cycle
\$2000 Green Team Expenses



Island Heights
Environmental Committee





Population: 1,691

Located in Ocean County

**Green Team & Environmental
Committee**

The process

Checked the guidelines and draft a proposal



Proposed to the town and ask for resolution



Requested letters of support



2019 Sustainable Jersey Grants Program
\$2,000 Grant Application

Application Deadline: 11:59 PM on Friday, February 15, 2018

This grant cycle is funded by:





Celebrating Progress, Envisioning the Future



County	Municipality	Project Title	Project Summary
Ocean	Island Heights Borough	Green Team Support	The green team will use this grant to recruit additional team members by developing signs, maps and other information discussing their sustainability initiatives. Workshop materials will also be purchased to assist with educational efforts.

Utilizing the funding

Grant needs to be incorporated in the town's funding in order to be used.

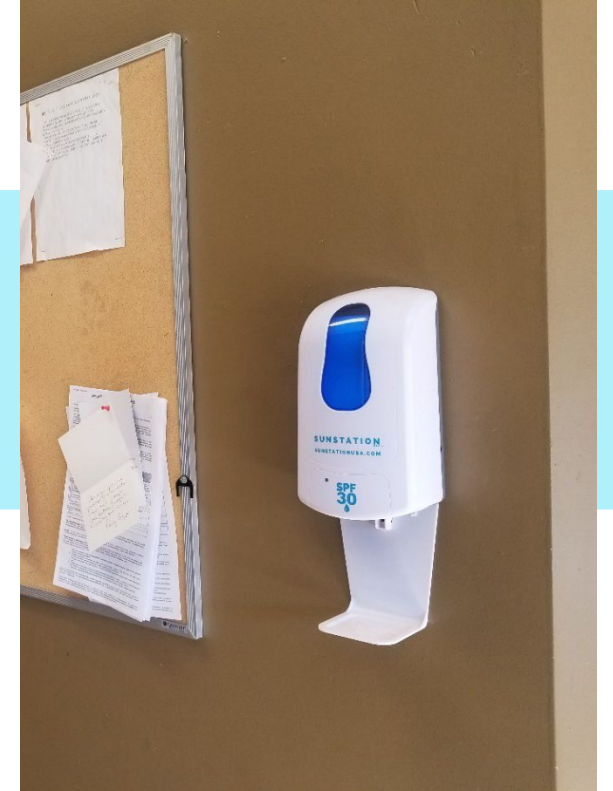


Bioswale maintenance

[Action: Efficient Landscape Design](#)

Sunscreen Stations

Action: Building Healthier Communities





Luncheon Tickets

Qr Code + Subscription for Images

[Action: Community Education and Outreach](#)





Town Map

Action: Community Asset Mapping

Signs



Actions: Backyard Composting Program, Recycling and Waste Reduction Education and Compliance



Battery box

Actions: Recycling and Waste Reduction Education and Compliance



Seeds

Action: Community Education and Outreach



Beverage Dispensers

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Thank you!



Tanara Hall

Island Heights Environmental Committee & Green Team



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