

# Creating a new definition of normal, one day, one person, one task at time

## Why Gardening?

- Variety of tasks to suit every level of ability
- Life lessons
- Outdoor experiences
- Healthy environment
- Physical activity
- Personal satisfaction
- Supplemental income
- Best use of available resources



## Results

- Feeds our Ranchers and staff throughout the year.
- Uses animal waste, kitchen waste and clippings to best use.
- Sales of sweet corn and fishing worms boost Rancher scholarship fund.



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## A Garden for All Seasons

**Gospel Greens** is the anchor of our day program. Our Ranchers tend 4x4 garden beds, 6 raised herb beds, and one low tunnel (portable greenhouse) for tomatoes, with plans to add an additional tunnel each year for 4 years.



Our greenhouse allows us to start our seeds early for spring transplanting and for bedding plant sales. It also gives us an option for 12 month harvest of our summer favorites like tomatoes and peppers.



### Spring

- Bedding plants
- Onion and garlic sets
- Seedlings
- Bed preparation

### Summer

- Vegetable beds
- Memorial garden
- Sweet corn
- Herbs

### Fall

- Root crops
- Squash
- Harvest
- Heirloom seed harvest
- Spreading compost

### Winter

- Double covered cold frames
- Cold resistant vegetables and greens

### Year Round

- Drying herbs and spices
- Packaging herbs
- Flower beds
- Green house crops
- Composting and vermicompost (with worms)



### The Future

**TCR Community Gardens**—A community supported agriculture project that provides pre-structured and prepared garden space to elderly, disabled or members of urban communities.

- Handicapped accessible
- Limited commitment
- Space sold on a share basis
- Working and non-working shares
- Partnership with local raw goat milk dairy
- Partnership with local beekeepers

**Heirloom Seeds**—growing for seed harvest and exchange. Exclusively non-hybrid seeds.

**Honey bees**—pollination benefits for our garden and supplemental income from the sale of raw honey.

**Day Program**—offered to others with developmental disabilities. Pay for services basis.

### Compost Sales

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