

**Proposal:** Community Garden Workday, with potential for longer-term site engagement

**Site:** Park Village (city property, low-income housing community)

**Point Person:** Dena Allen, with assists from Sequestration (Josho Somine, Sunali Sikand) & Outreach (Alex Goodman, Sunali Sikand, Dena Allen, Sarah Elliot) working groups

**Timeline:** June 2021, weekend day (4-6 hours)

**Purpose:** Community engagement / empowerment / education / promotion of soil health gardening practices for healthy food & carbon sequestration

**Activities:** Fruit tree planting, composting, garden maintenance, educational presentations & technical instruction

**Collaborating Organizations:** West County Community Services

**Additional Notes:** No funding needed, volunteers to be solicited for labor, some material donations sought

**Request for SCAC:** Approval for event and use of SCAC name, assistance with promotion as possible, further input welcome from interested members

**Request for SCC:** Permission for event, assistance with promotion through website, newsletters, etc., minimal coordination with Public Works Dept. liaison

**Analysis & Benefits:** See attached equity matrix

### **Background:**

- Park Village owned by City of Sebastopol
- Eight of the trailer homes owned by West County Community Services for formally homeless
- West County Services has a case manager on site, Pat Jones, and a family liaison, Debra Homes
- In the process of planting 3 plots for all who want to share including any of the 27 or so kids who live there. They hope to do some community cooking at harvest time.
- Some residents have their own garden plot.
- There are unpruned fruit trees on the property as well as an area of young fruit trees and perennials planted about 4 years ago during a Daily Acts food forest work day.
- There are many edible and medicinal plants.
- General upkeep maintenance of Park Village would be the property management.
- Public Works staff would repair the street, utilities and street lighting.
- City staff maintains the Tomodachi Park providing mowing, vegetation management and litter removal.
- Caltrans has a contract with Sonoma County Parks to maintain the frontage on HWY12.

## Sebastopol Climate Action Committee Equity Evaluation Matrix **DRAFT**

Project/Program/Policy: Park Village (PV) Proposal

Working Group/Lead Members: Sequestration Working Group- Sunali, Josho, Dena

Timeline Summary: Collaborate and hold a work day in June 2021, possible ongoing collaboration

Who might be affected by this project?*	Potential benefits of project	Potential harms of project	How has this affected group been involved in designing this project?	How has this community been able to provide feedback regarding this project?	Comments/analysis/plans
PV Residents, West County Community Services at PV	A collaborative experience	Coming in as saviors rather than collaborators	Plan with West County Community Services Case Manager & Family Liaison and the residents committee	Through the Case Manager and Family Liaison	
Sebastopol Community	Positive Climate benefits: improved soil health, composting, plant & soil knowledge				
Seb CAC	Develop text/signs				

\*Please review this list when discerning potential effects of projects (but also include any other groups not listed here): local tribes/indigenous groups, BIPOC persons, non-English speakers, undocumented persons, renters, unhoused persons, labor groups, youth, Latinx persons. ADD LINES TO TABLE AS NEEDED.

<p>Are fiscal implications regressive or progressive in nature?</p>	<p>Analysis:</p>	<p>Commentary: This is a low cost proposal, volunteers and requests for donated materials. Perhaps the costs at this stage may include printing of info/signs.</p>
<p>Will this project/program/policy serve a predominantly low-income or minority neighborhood?</p> <p>yes</p>	<p>Analysis: PV is low income and 8 of the trailer homes are owned by West County Community Services and set aside for homeless from Sebastopol to live and transition to other living situations. The residents include Latinx.</p>	<p>Commentary:</p>