

Children's Vegetable Garden at SABOT

By Tera Marshall, Bexar County Master Gardener



Since it first opened, the San Antonio Botanical Garden has sponsored the Children's Vegetable Garden. With this program, each child (or the children in a family) is assigned a plot and they learn to garden this plot and harvest their own vegetables. The children learn methods of home gardening and also can be proud to provide vegetables for their own home dinner table.

Bexar County Master Gardeners volunteer to guide and help the children with their garden on a one-to-one basis. Mary Fernandez, BCMG, and John Mayer, BCMG, have led the volunteers for many years with this program. SABOT and its employees design and lead the program content and provide the plots, plants, fertilizer, tools and water to help make the children's gardens successful.



There are 60 plots available, but as a COVID precaution, this year, only every other plot has been used, so there are a total of 30 children participating. The children (and their parents) sign up in August and the program runs 12 weeks, through December.

By the end of the season, the children are harvesting vegetables from their plots. A new program will start in January.





For more information and to follow the progress of the CVG, check out this link: [Childrens Vegetable Garden](#)

Master Gardeners volunteering with CVG

Sarah Akeroyd

Mary Wills

Aaron Kelman

Rocio Bomberg

Terri Bills

Barbara Lamm

Butch Lee

Sandra Woodall

Betty Anderson

Anne Marie Simpson

Oralia-Layla Quiroz

Ann Moss

Marvin Perkins

John Mayer

Mary Fernandez

Jorge Noverola

Joe Quiroz

Water team

Jorge Noverola

Butch Lee

Charles Mims