

**BROWN COUNTY
Grant Application**

Name of Organization: **BROWNWOOD AREA COMMUNITY GARDEN**
Legal Name (as designated on 501c3) If different from that above _____

Mailing Address_ P. O. Box 1062 or 1514 Dublin Street _____
City, State, Zip Code_ Brownwood, Texas 76804 _____
Telephone_ 325-430-8944 _____ Email: bac_garden@yahoo.com _____

President: Carl Boivin - Executive Director: Jan Green
Current Board Members: Carl Boivin-President, Faye Lasserre-Vice President, Jerry Sims-
Treasurer, Yvonneke Beelby-Interim Secretary, Kelli Lenzi-Secretary, Wendy Hamilton, Carol
Aubin, Terisa Carpenter, James (Jim) Rooney, Dennis Benson, and David Lenzi.
Board President: Carl Boivin 325-998-0555
Primary Contact: Jerry Sims _____ Title: Treasurer _____
Phone #(if different from above) 325-998-5551 Email address: dectexas@yahoo.com _____

IRS 501(c)(3) Nonprofit?
 X Yes – please attach IRS designation letter)
 No – Please attach written agreement for the fiscal agent)
Federal ID# 32-0295496 _____

Type of Grant Requested:
 X General Operating Support Other: _____
 X Program/Project
 Capital
 Equipment

Name of Program/Project/Campaign: Brownwood Area Community Garden General Operations
Amount Requested: \$5,000.00
Total Program/Project Budget: \$ 29,804.00
Additional Special Bed Rebuild in 2023: \$ 10,000.00

State your organization's mission:

Brownwood Area Community Garden mission is to feed the hungry of Brown County with fresh produce, provide a garden space for residents of Brown County who wish to garden according to natural methods, educate the community on natural and sustainable gardening practices and to provide volunteers jobs, on the job training and experiences for seniors and low-income family workers.

May 8, 2023
(Exhibit #8)

Summarize the proposal and how it fits with the Brown County mission and grant making priorities: The Brownwood Area Community Garden was established in 2009 to enhance the Brown County community. For the last 14 years the garden has not only served the community with fresh produce but also education, on the job training, a community service venue, and volunteers' opportunities to learn self-sufficient gardening abilities. The Garden has also enriched the community with its beauty and the community's opportunity for the diverse social economic population to socialize as they are brought together for one common goal to serve and meet the needs of each other and the greater good of the Brownwood community. The Garden unites Brown County as we all work together. Good Samaritan Ministries and Salvation Army serves our produce, Girls / Boy Scouts plant seed, Local Churches assist with the harvest and projects. Job training for Seniors is available and the Havin's Unit inmates have performed community service at the garden. The Garden is a big part of the community of Brown County. The number of Volunteers has been small the last two years due to the Pandemic, but the Garden has managed to keep the production close the same because of the dedication of our dedicated volunteers. We also participate in Education classes and garden tours, monitoring and growing volunteer hours and maintaining rental beds for the public. We have developed and maintain partnerships with local organizations to raise funds to facilitate the gardens goals and future for Community development and involvement.

Has this organization received funds from Brown County in the past?

Yes

No

If yes, please give year and use of funds. _____

Is this request being submitted exclusively to this funder?

Yes

No

List of three largest sources of funding in the last fiscal year

1. Funder_ UNITED WAY _____ Amount \$_5,000.00 _____

2. Funder_ Dennis Benson _____ Amount \$_5,000.00 _____

3. Funder_ Jerry & Jan Sims _____ Amount \$_5,000.00 _____

List the proposal's target population, constituents, and geographic communities:

Brown County Population is 38,000 and our target population is 6,000.

We work with Good Samaritan Ministries, Salvation Army, and other food banks and with low income communities in Brown County.

AGREEMENT

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that all information included in this proposal is correct. The tax-exempt status of this organization is still in effect. If a grant is awarded to this organization, the proceeds of that grant will not be distributed or used to benefit any organization or individual supporting or engaged in unlawful activities.

Carl Boivin
Signature of Board President - Carl Boivin

05/07/2023
Date

Gerald Sims
Signature of Treasurer - Gerald (Jerry) Sims

5/7/2023
Date

**GARDEN OPERATIONS REPORT
November/December 2022**

November

Pantry Production – 622 lbs.
Private Production- 135.75 lbs.
Total Production- 757.75 lbs.
Volunteers - 12
Volunteer hours- 297.5

December

Pantry Production- 11.5 lbs.
Private Production- 55.5 lbs.
Total Production- 67 lbs.
Volunteers- 5
Volunteer hours- 101.25
TOTAL PRODUCTION 2022- 7129.75 lbs.

November and December production revolved mostly around digging sweet potatoes and picking what remained of the tomatoes and peppers. An unusually large number of green tomatoes and peppers were harvested before the first cold snap, and a surprisingly large number survived those cold temperatures as well.

The extreme cold right before Christmas finally shut everything down, with the exception of some spinach that one of our gardeners had planted. Beds that had been planted with strawberries and some cover crops were covered with both straw and sheets. Most survived-with the exception of the Pacific Gold mustard that had been planted as a biofumigant to aid in the control of nematode. Those beds will receive shrimp meal this spring, another method of controlling nematode. It also appears that one of the irrigation controls was affected by the cold and will be checked out soon.

So, another year is in the books. As has been stated before, there seem to have been more challenges this year than normal- an early cold snap that completely destroyed the plum harvest, extreme heat throughout the summer which minimized crop production, and more garden pests than normal. Even the squirrels decided to get in on the action by digging in the beds and chewing through drip lines. Despite all the challenges, we are pleased with what we have accomplished this year. Wheelbarrows of food were shared weekly with the people at Salvation Army along with trip after trip made to Good Samaritan to provide fresh produce to those they serve. Thanks to all who made this possible.



Confirmation

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- **Organization Name:** BROWNWOOD AREA COMMUNITY GARDEN
- **EIN:** 320295496
- **Tax Year:** 2020
- **Tax Year Start Date:** 10-01-2020
- **Tax Year End Date:** 09-30-2021
- **Submission ID:** 10065520220435251405
- **Filing Status Date:** 02-12-2022
- **Filing Status:** Pending

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