

The Heritage Farm



**Heritage Farm is a
community asset that
supports a healthy
Clark County**

Heritage Farm Advisory Committee

- Formed in 2009 to help develop guiding Principles and 2010 Master Plan
- Coordinating committee to review proposals for uses of land
- Application process
- Annual reports from each project
- Event requests
- Revenue Ideas
- Assisted with the 2019 Master Plan update



Heritage Farm Programs and Projects - 2019

- 4-H Restorative Gardens
- Roots to Road Veterans Garden
- Composting Demonstration Site
- Food Bank Garden
- Organic Garden
- 84 Community Gardens
- Greenhouses – Plant Sale
- Queen Bee Rearing
- Bee Pollinator Garden
- WSU High Tunnel Research
- Permeable Paving Demonstration
- Commercial Ag Research – *Mushrooms, hazelnuts, hops, berries, grains, etc.*
- Heritage Orchard
- Terrace Garden
- Human Sundial
- Mason Bees
- Bat Houses
- Bird Houses
- NOAA Weather Station
- Riparian Native Plant Demonstration
- Grape Vineyard Demonstration
- Farm to School Tours

3000
Community
members



- Small Acreage Business Planning
- Living on the Land
- Person In Charge Food Safety training
- Pre-Diabetes Education
- Food Preservation Classes
- 4-H youth events & trainings
- Gardening & Pruning Workshops
- Farm to Fork School Tours
- Clark College Horticulture classes
- Master Composter Recycler Events
- Community Gardeners
- Small Agriculture Expo
- Wells and Septic Classes
- Women in Ag Conferences

Community Involvement

- 1300+ youth visited the farm to learn about growing food, harvesting food, composting and the food system in their community.
- 286 local farmers learning diversifying crops and farming techniques
- 252 gardeners were empowered to grow food for their families and share with others
- 130 WIC families harvested food for their families' table
- 147 food service employees from 41 local restaurants learned safe food handling procedures.
- 70 pre-diabetics learned to manage their food choices and activities to avoid getting diabetes



Community Involvement



- 62 organizations and businesses participated in farm activities.
- 80 Clark College Students worked on various projects learning about soil health, Eco dynamic agriculture, did bird surveys and learned about the importance of wild habitat on managed lands.
- 52 small farmland owners learned about living on the land and uses of land, along with making business plans to be profitable in their work.

New Ideas

Heritage Farm Advisory Committee & Farm Foundation



- Increase lease rates on all parcels by 10%
- Increase the “% of profit” fees on projects
- Fees for Service to farm projects beyond basic services
- Increase the number of community gardens
- Increase community gardens fees
- Charge for use of meeting rooms for outside groups
- Add ‘event’ fees for events held on the farm
- Explore events with corporate sponsorships and fees to attend ... *Harvest Festival, farm dinners, tasting events, themed guided tours*
- Mentoring projects
- Friends of Heritage Farm Foundation memberships
- Collaborate with local events and activities to be held at Farm
- Expand social media & website