



North Dakota Junior Master Gardener Program Grants

2016 Grant Application Worksheet

Project name: Metigrowshe Garden

County: Bottineau

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Organization: Metigoshe Ministries

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1. Briefly describe your garden project including its major goals. (150 words or less)

The garden will provide fresh, natural, local food for nutritional camp menus. Campers will take an active role in producing the food that they eat. We will provide educational outreach to the camp and wider community on themes of food production, food sustainability and nutrition. Campers and staff will increase their knowledge of creation by learning about where their food comes from. The garden will provide fresh produce for special events such as a fall festival and provide fresh produce for Bottineau Food Pantry during the growing season.

2. How will your project make a difference to its children? (150 words or less)

Children attending Camp Metigoshe in the age range of pre-school through senior high will be actively involved in the garden. They will learn hands-on what is required to grow food by digging in the soil and performing routine garden and compost maintenance and observations plus livestock care in our poultry enclosure. They will experience the pride and excitement of harvesting their produce and eating fresh and nutritious food. Children will connect their practical experience with an understanding of the natural world and creation through a carefully prepared curriculum. The participants in our program will leave camp with knowledge and excitement about gardening, a new appreciation for fresh veggies & berries, fresh eggs, and helpful hints on starting their own home gardens!

How will your project make a difference in your community? (150 words or less)

The Pelican Lake camp garden will provide a location for learning, support and recreation for a variety of organizations in the community. We will offer garden tours and host community education sessions in partnership with Bottineau Elementary School on topics such as vegetable gardening, composting, and horticulture methods. As a service to our community the garden will provide fresh produce for the Bottineau Food Pantry. We will provide gardening experiences for the retreat groups at Metigoshe Ministries and harvest festivals for local church groups and youth groups.

3. Please estimate the number of participants directly involved in the project:

Young children (3–12 years old): 295

Teens (13–17 years old): 480

Adults: 300

4. Briefly list any partners (such as 4-H, FFA, school, church, garden center, parks department) that are involved. Briefly describe their roles in the project. Be very brief.

- Bottineau Central Elementary School – Metigrowshe Garden provides a guest speaker for topics on horticulture, gardening, and nutritious food. School classes are able to complete hands-on projects during field trips to the garden.
- Dakota College at Bottineau Entrepreneurial Center for Horticulture – the ECH at DCB provides technical advice to the garden staff.
- Metigoshe Ministries – we host a gardening retreat each spring with presentations and hands-on experiences in gardening, we offer volunteer opportunities to retreat groups, youth groups and ministry supporters, and we participate in a Fall Harvest Festival.
- Metigoshe Lutheran Church – the garden provides a volunteer day each fall for the congregation.

5. Budget

Please estimate how you plan on using the grant money (maximum of \$1000).

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Seedling supplies (soil mix, heat mats, fluorescent lights)	\$233
Seeds and transplants	200
Tools (stirrup hoe, 2 short handle shovels, 2 wheelbarrows, 6 harvest bins)	199
Drip irrigation kit for high tunnel	150
Soil test	18
Trellis pulleys, twine and clips for high tunnel	75
TOTAL	\$875

**For projects coordinated by organizations
outside of NDSU Extension**

Please describe your Extension office's involvement in this garden program (recruiting youth, teaching, coordinating volunteers, providing meeting space). (150 words or less)

I, Marietta Good, NDSU Extension Master Gardener, will do a presentation on square foot gardening for the community at Metigoshe Ministries on April 15th and will serve as an educational resource for all age groups.

I support this project and will work with the coordinator to ensure a positive educational experience for the youth.

Marietta Good

2/17/16

Name of NDSU Extension Service staff

Date