

# 2025 Friends of the Garden Fundraising Campaign

## A Growing Partnership for a Sustainable Future!



The **Fairfield Community Garden** is the result of a collaboration between the **Sustainable Living Coalition, LLC** and the **City of Fairfield** to create the city's first community garden. Launched in 2022, it is located at the west end of **O B Nelson Park**. The garden spans a 100' x 100' fenced area and features 40 raised plots, a tool shed, a native perimeter garden, metal trellises, and a communal tool library. Thanks to the generous contributions of local businesses and community leaders, over **\$20,000** was raised for the infrastructure.

**How Your Support Makes a Difference:** This spring, we need to raise \$2,000 to enhance and expand the garden. Your donation will directly fund:

- **Scholarships:** 10 free memberships to low- and moderate-income families
- **Feeding Fairfield Plot:** Fresh produce will be grown and donated to our local food banks
- **Sustainable Growth:** Soil amendments to ensure healthy crops and abundant harvests
- **Educational Demonstrations:** Partnerships with youth groups to teach the science of gardening
- **Infrastructure Improvements:** A welcome sign, new tools, solar lighting, and plants for the pollinator gardens

### Inaugural Spring 2024 Highlights:

- All 36 plots were adopted, with over \$1,000 raised for scholarships
- Volunteer support from RSVP and Green Iowa AmeriCorps
- Surplus produce donated to local food banks
- Two community service awards for the garden leadership team
- 75% of plots already reserved for 2025

**Join Us in Creating a Resilient, Sustainable Future!** 100% of your donation is **tax-deductible** and directly benefits the garden. Donate today and help us grow this vital community resource!

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