



**GARDENS REVITALIZE
OUR WORLD**



**Toledo
GROWS™**





A REGION ALIVE WITH GARDENS

Toledo GROWs educates our community about the value of local nutritious food. Our active urban farm and support for community gardens promote healthy eating and create a region alive with gardens.

The movement that began as three community gardens 30 years ago has grown to include 108 community gardens and an urban farm in downtown Toledo – the home of Toledo GROWs. The farm offers a variety of educational features, including the Robert J. Anderson Urban Agriculture Center,



hoop houses, a greenhouse, bees, a teaching kitchen, and a variety of garden beds to demonstrate and teach sustainable practices in growing produce. It serves as home base for Toledo GROWs' work with community gardens and education.



People of all ages come to the farm to learn through educational programs and field trips, as well as through hands-on learning as they volunteer.

Visit Toledo GROWs to witness how an urban farm can transform a central city neighborhood.



BELIEVING IN COMMUNITY

Sarah Ryley
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sponsoring Toledo GROWs means believing in your community. It means lifting others up when they need it most. Every day, we work to build connections between neighbors to ensure they have a support system when times get tough. And times **are** tough.

Our nation faces serious food insecurity challenges, but there's something we can do about it right here in our own neighborhoods. At Toledo GROWs, we educate, empower, and remove barriers so everyone has the opportunity to grow and share healthy food. From our urban farm to more than 100 community gardens across Toledo and surrounding area, we're cultivating resilience and hope.

At a time when big business controls so much of what we eat, growing your food is both a rebellious and deeply necessary act. I invite you to join us in empowering our community to grow nourishment, improve mental and physical well-being, and strengthen the connections that make our city thrive.

Together, we can grow something extraordinary.

LEARNING TO GROW AND EAT HEALTHY FOOD

SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY GARDENS

Knowledgeable staff share expertise and guidance with gardeners throughout the season. Gardens receive free seeds and seedlings, education, loan of tools, materials, connection to services, and networking with other gardeners.



108 gardens serve 6,500+ individuals
Located in neighborhoods and at schools, churches, libraries, community centers, and other non-profit organizations.
People who garden eat more fruits and vegetables.

GARDENING AND NUTRITION EDUCATION

Education for all ages to learn about growing and eating healthy food. Programs for youth and events and workshops for adults.

*Youth GROW's Earth Literacy programs offer engaging, hands-on lessons in sustainability.
1,100 youth served in 2025.*



URBAN FARM EDUCATIONAL FACILITY

Two and one-half acre farm in central Toledo with gardens, bees, hoophouses, and a teaching kitchen.



3,000 pounds of produce harvested in 2025.
750 individuals took part in programs or volunteer events in 2025.

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

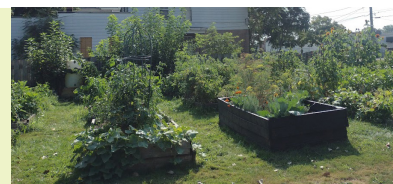
Volunteer opportunities that actively engage people in our community.

1,500 volunteer hours – a value of \$50,235 - donated in 2025.



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Partner with other organizations to better serve our neighbors.



250+ organizations collaborate to improve services.

SPONSORSHIPS

Presenting Sponsor

Seed Swap

\$5,000

February 28, 2026

Scott High School

This annual community-wide event hosts 1,000+ participants and offers free seeds, gardening information, a workshop, hands-on demonstrations, children's activities, and 30 community partner displays – all free of charge.

Sponsor receives:

- Prominent recognition on signage and on printed collateral
- Full page ad in program
- Logo with link on our website
- Display table at the event
- Right of first refusal for 2027



Presenting Sponsor

Harvest Dinner Series

\$5,000

September and October 2026 at various Toledo area venues

Local chefs create a farm-to-table dining experience at unique local venues, using produce from Toledo GROWs' farm.

Sponsor receives:

- Prominent recognition on signage and printed collateral
- Logo with link on our website
- 4 tickets to Harvest Dinner of your choice
- Right of first refusal for 2027



Garden Program Sponsors

Sustaining

\$5,000

- Recognition on signage at Toledo GROWs farm and at Harvest Dinners
- Logo on Toledo GROWs Truck
- 6 pints of Toledo GROWs honey
- Logo with link on website
- Logo on printed program collateral

Nurturing

\$2,500

- Recognition on signage at Toledo GROWs farm and at Harvest Dinners
- Logo with link on website
- Logo on printed program collateral

Rooting

\$1,000

- Recognition on signage at Toledo GROWs farm
- Logo on website
- Logo on printed program collateral

Seeding

\$500

- Recognition on signage at Toledo GROWs farm
- Logo on website



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