

## **CDC/CTG Community Garden Meeting January 28, 2013**

Meeting led by Attica Scott, Councilperson District 1 and Wayne Long, Kentucky Extension Office

13 people in attendance

A small committee of community volunteers was established to make decisions about the garden site. The committee is composed of Stephen and Yvonne Edwards, Bill Gatewood, Joan Carter, Arianna King, Tracy Norman, and Stephanie Kaufman. They will meet to select a garden plan and make decisions about fencing, etc. The next community meeting will be Feb. 25 at 6 pm at Maupin Elementary. It was also determined that the first beds will be built at a community event on Saturday, April 13, to coincide with the Mayor's Week of Service. Attica Scott mentioned making this a community celebration with food and music. The site will be cleaned up in the morning and the beds built in the afternoon. Sarah Stoltz mentioned that the compost company Breaking New Ground has gone out of business and has large amounts of compost available for free. Materials for the raised beds are being donated by the Kentucky County Extension Office.

Wayne Long has gotten an estimate on the fencing which will match the fencing being used in the beautification. The cost will be about \$10,000. Residents also discussed gate options (keys vs. keyless entry) and Wayne is going to price a keyless entry gate. An estimate for running water lines to the site was \$1500. An additional \$1500 will be needed for compost and geotextile cloth. The total project cost is estimated at \$13,000.

A representative from the People's Garden in the Shawnee neighborhood was present and offered her advice based on experiences with their garden. She shared their experience of having a garden without a fence, but also mentioned their garden is located in a residential area while the 28<sup>th</sup> and Dumesnil site is not.

Allison Smith from the Center for Environmental Policy and Management provided a handout with contact and website information <http://louisville.edu/cepm/safe-urban-garden-development-program.html>. Safe soil practice guides and other documents were provided to show residents some of the resources available on the website.