

Tier 2 Schools are doing amazing work on their own, but would like a bit of outside support to take their garden projects to the next level. By signing up to be part of Wasatch Community Gardens' School Garden Program at the Tier 2 level, your school will receive:

- Access to Wasatch Community Gardens' staff time in the form of four site visits a year (see inset for site visit agenda options)
- Scholarships to Wasatch Community Gardens' standard fee organic gardening workshops
- Volunteer assistance (as available)
- Access to Wasatch Community Gardens' Seedling Share

Site visits are the backbone of the program! Site visits will allow Wasatch Community Gardens to really understand your program so that we can better support your needs. Site visits will last between 1-1.5 hours and will loosely follow one of four agendas:

## 1. Work Party

We know that sometimes just working out in the garden is the best way to get to know a garden. The host Garden Leadership Team will gather interested parents, teachers, and community members for the work session. Wasatch Community Gardens' staff will assist the Garden Leadership Team in determining what is most needed and will help lead the work party. Whether we are trellising, planting, weeding common spaces, putting the garden to bed, or painting garden signs, the work parties will be informal, educational, and timely for the season. Wasatch Community Gardens will provide the following resources as needed:

Tools from our Tool Library Seeds Basic soil amendments All weather outdoor paints

## 2. Indoor Workshop

The most requested assistance that we get is from educators asking how to incorporate the garden into their classroom. If this sounds like your school, Wasatch Community Gardens' staff will lead a lecture-style workshop on timely curriculum, right out in your garden! For teachers, parents, and volunteers, going over a few lessons in a small group environment where there are ample opportunities to ask questions, can help break the barrier between the garden and the classroom.

## 3. Development/Visioning/Fundraising Assistance

We understand how challenging it is to grapple with all the design options of starting a new garden or with navigating a change in leadership. Whether the garden is in the development phase, is expanding, or there has been a change in leadership, a Wasatch Community Gardens' staff member will sit down with the Garden Leadership team to discuss planning, fundraising ideas, what's working, etc.

## 4. Volunteer Work Day (as resources are available)

If there is one thing that we know, it's that gardens take WORK. In addition to the day-today maintenance that they necessitate, gardens also hugely benefit from the occasional big ol' work session. The host Garden Leadership Team will submit a request for a volunteer day at least two months before the intended workday. The Garden Leadership Team will include the scope of the project (including the number of volunteers needed) and two options for dates/times. The Garden Leadership Team will receive notice of whether their request can be filled no later than two weeks before the event date. If approved, Wasatch Community Gardens will provide volunteers and tools, and the Garden Leadership Team will organize the project.