

Grow where you are planted...

REAL SCHOOL GARDENS



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Our service: What do you do?



**Real World
Connections**



**Community
Engagement**



Outdoors learning



Creation Process

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Stakeholders

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Our Timeline + Impact

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May 2018- Stevens Park receives a grant to complete the garden.

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Name of Org, Club, Activity: Real School Garden/ Garden Enrichment

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Process: (How did you start it or bring it?)

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Stakeholders: (Who is involved?)

1. Community members (SPENA, Oak Cliff Heritage)
2. Teachers
3. Parents
4. Volunteers
5. Students
6. Faculty and Staff

Timeline: (When did it start, was there a pre-process? Where is it at now?)

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Impact: (What has been the value add for the community?)

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