GROWCenter

Join DPW at one of our Pop-up Greening Resource Hubs!

Free trees, mulch, and chaff
Native plants and recycling bins for sale
Various experts will be on hand to answer your greening questions

All Pop-Ups are 9am-12noon

10/12/19	Langston Hughes Community, Business and Resource Center	5011 Arbutus Ave, 21217
10/26/19	Gateway Park at Darley Park	Harford Rd & Normal Ave, 21213
11/2/19	Stillmeadow Community Fellowship Church	5110 Frederick Ave, 21229

Need more info? Call 410-396-0732 and ask for Mark Cameron

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What if there was a place for citizens to get free or low cost materials for greening projects?

What if there was a place where people could go for information and training on a variety of topics to help them with beautification and improvement projects?

What if these materials and information could be used to reclaim vacant lots, increase the city's tree canopy, and reduce stormwater pollution?

GROW Centers (**G**reen **R**esources & **O**utreach for **W**atersheds) is a concept being tested by the Baltimore City Department of Public Works that would serve as resource hubs to link community greening networks with needed sources of free/low cost materials and technical expertise for greening projects. GROW Centers have the opportunity to address resource gaps to support various initiatives, such as vacant lot reuse, mitigating waste streams, increasing tree canopy, and combating stormwater pollution. Furthermore, these centers can enhance existing efforts by connecting and supporting collaboration with partners at the forefront of community revitalization.

Since the Spring of 2018, there have been 12 GROW Centers pop-ups and 9 workshops:

- ✓ 634 people attended from over 100 neighborhoods
- ✓ 12 partner organizations participated as experts, trainers, and material suppliers
- ✓ 324 trees were given away, as well as 35+ cu/yd of mulch
- ✓ Attendees built 30 rain barrels and purchased 170 native plants and 100 recycling bins

The pop-ups are the first phase of a feasibility study and business plan that will be conducted in 2019 to identify a delivery model, future locations, new partners, and a sustainable financial structure for the GROW Centers. Funding for the GROW Centers is provided in part by the USDA Forest Service. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

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