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

We will also be collecting electronics recycling!

All Pop-Ups are 9am-12noon

4/18/20	City of Refuge	901 Pontiac Ave, 21225
4/25/20	C.A.R.E. Community	400 Block N. Duncan St, 21231
5/2/20	Easterwood/Sandtown Park & Playground	1500 Block McKean Ave, 21217

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 15 GROW Centers pop-ups and 16 workshops:

- ✓ 695 people attended from over 100 neighborhoods
- ✓ 15 partner organizations participated as experts, trainers, and material suppliers
- ✓ 376 trees were given away, as well as 39+ cu/yd of mulch
- ✓ Attendees built 30 rain barrels and purchased 260 native plants and 121 recycling bins

The pop-ups are the first phase of a feasibility study and business plan that will be conducted in 2020 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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