



Clarksburg Partners with Shinnston on Community Garden Project

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The City of Clarksburg has made a generous donation toward completion of the Shinnston Community Garden project. City officials are donating several tons of finished compost from the compost yard in Glen Elk. The Shinnston Community Garden is a project included in the "Growing Healthy Communities: Shinnston Thrives" grant project, designed to educate and encourage healthier eating habits and lifestyles.

The compost will be used to fill the raised garden beds that, in turn, will be planted and maintained by Shinnston-area youth groups. The produce generated from the first season of the community garden will be donated to The Lord's Pantry for distribution. For Clarksburg, it's an opportunity to help a nearby community and, at the same time, make their own residents aware of a resource many do not know about. The compost is available to the public as a way to encourage gardening.

"The City of Clarksburg takes every opportunity to extend a helping hand to surrounding cities. By contributing to others, we are able to expand our mission of service to others" said Clarksburg City Manager Martin Howe.

Shinnston officials working on the community garden project will be at the Clarksburg compost facility at 8:30 Tuesday morning (April 15th) to pick up the donated material. There's a community garden workday scheduled for April 26th and a dedication/ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for June 1st.