

Mercer Island P-Patch Community Garden

Location: Luther Burbank Park

(DRAFT) Purpose Statement:

“The Mercer Island P-Patch is a community garden program coordinated by the City of Mercer Island and cultivated by local gardeners who take pleasure in nurturing their own harvests through environmentally sustainable practices. The P-Patch program enables participants to grow food and ornamental plantings in individual plots which provides opportunities for connections within the community, provides increased food security, and supports improved mental health for visitors and participants alike”.

(DRAFT) Program Objectives:

- *Provide and allocate designated plot areas for community gardening activities.*
- *Enable gardening and gathering opportunities which improve both mental and physical health.*
- *Align participation with maintaining the natural character of the park and minimize unnatural physical and visual impacts to the surrounding park and neighborhood area.*
- *Provide an environment that enables participants of different ages and demographics to come together, interact, and cultivate meaningful relationships through gardening.*
- *Utilize garden plots and the surrounding area to enhance biodiversity and contribute to the preservation of the environment.*