

2025 Stone Mountain Community Garden at VFW Park— Annual Report

PARTICIPANTS	VOLUNTEER HOURS	DESCRIPTION OF DONATIONS/PROJECTS	CASH CONTRIBUTIONS	IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS
Sponsors				
Dekalb/UGA Master Gardeners	854	Seeds, Tools, Plants, Office Supplies, Signage, Building Materials and Snacks	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,041.00
Dekalb/UGA Extension Service	12		\$ 0.00	\$ 46.00
City of Stone Mountain Total	40	Participation in Faith and Blue, Administrative Support, Mowing, Mulch, Rodent Control, Water, Maintenance and Website	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Sponsors Total	906		\$ 0.00	\$ 2,087.00
Volunteers and Plot Owners				
	872		\$ 0.00	\$ 280.00
Partners				
Atlanta Botanical Gardens	6	Technical Assistance, Flowers and Vegetable Plants, Seeds	\$ 0.00	\$ 280.00
Beekeepers	29	Assistance in Apiary	\$ 0.00	\$ 12.00
Food Well Alliance				
Food Well Alliance Grant		\$2,550 Grant to Pay EcoParadigm for Assembling and Installation of New Green House	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 0.00
Food Well Alliance Grant		\$550 Grant to Pay EcoParadigm for Installing 2 Solar Fans on Greenhouse	\$ 550.00	\$ 0.00
Food Well Alliance/Super Sod Grants		2 Cubic Meter Bag of Vegetable Planting Soil Delivered	\$ 0.00	\$ 438.00
Food Well Alliance 2025 Grant		3 NUCS of Honeybees, heater and 2 fans (solar) for Greenhouse	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0.00
Food Well Alliance Donations		Plants, Seeds, Fish Emulsion, Garden Gloves, Snacks, Water and Tools for Use by Pop-Up Volunteer Groups,	\$ 0.00	\$ 342.00
Food Well Alliance		FWA/Plant a Row - 4 flats plants	\$ 0.00	\$ 256.00
Food Well Allowance Volunteers	114		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Food Well Alliance Total	114		\$ 4,600.00	\$ 1,036.00
Rooted in Solutions				
	30	Soil Analyses	\$ 0.00	\$ 80.00
Stone Mountain Women's Club Total				
	37	Visa Gift Card for Purchasing Plants and Seeds	\$ 0.00	\$ 148.00
Partners Total	216		\$ 4,600.00	\$ 1,184.00
TOTALS				
	1,994		\$ 4,600.00	\$ 3,551.00
SMCG 2025 Photo Journal		https://www.icloud.com/sharedalbum/#B2AGJEUyBgh4Nti		

TALKS, MEETINGS & MAJOR VISITS AT STONE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY GARDEN IN 2025

DATE	MASTER GARDENER(S)	TITLE OF MINI TALKS AND DEMONSTRATIONS	# PARTICIPANTS
February 8, 2025	Columbus Brown, Beth Wallace, Shakera Lawrence	Orientation and Annual Kickoff	26
March 8, 2025	Columbus Brown, Shakera Lawrence	Food Safety in the Garden Talk by MG Columbus Brown	17
April 12, 2025	Juliana Taylor, Shakera Lawrence	Mini Talk on "Vermicomposting" by Jackie Marshall	20
May 10, 2025	Columbus, Juliana Pierre	Starting Your Spring Garden Talk by Columbus Brown (It Rained)	4
June 14, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Taylor, Carla Ellison, Shakera Lawrence, Beth Wallace	Starting Your Pollinator Garden Talk by Ben Crumpler (Rooted in Faith Farm) and Sponsored by Food Well Alliance	33
June 14, 2025	Columbus Brown, Shakera Lawrence	Hive Inspection and Demonstration by Columbus, Claressa Lucas and Bill Crumpler. 9 folks suited up. Claressa and Columbus brought extra bee suit tops for Onlookers.	13
July 12, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Taylor, Carla Ellison, Beth Wallace	Mini Talk - "Easy Ways to Combine Vegetables/Herbs into Your Home Flower Garden or Patio/Deck Space" by Beth Wallace, MG	15
July 26, 2025	Columbus Brown	Hive Inspection and Demonstration by Columbus Brown and Claressa Lucas. 5 folks suited up. Claressa and I both brought extra bee suit tops for Onlookers.	5
August 9, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Taylor, Carla Ellison, Gertrude James Allen	Workday & Mini Talk by Ryan Yao of Rooted in Solutions: "Soil sampling and analysis and the three main soil macronutrients: nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium."	16
August 15, 2025	Columbus Brown	Hive Inspection and Demonstration by Columbus Brown and Claressa Lucas. 4 folks suited up. Claressa and Columbus brought extra bee suit tops for Onlookers.	4
September 7, 2025	Columbus Brown	Mini Talk by Moreen Rebeira on Bees and Hive Inspection	8
September 13, 2025	Carla Ellison, Juliana Taylor	Workday & Mini Talk by Jackie Marshall on "Keyhole Garden"	10
October 11, 2025	Columbus Brown, Beth Wallace, Gertrude James Allen, Juliana Pierre	Faith and Blue Workday	100
November 8, 2021	Columbus Brown, Gertrude James Allen, Ken Michaels, Shakera Lawrence	Workday & Mini Talk by Columbus Brown on "Preparing Garden for Winter"	25
TOTAL			296
DATE	MASTER GARDENER(S)	MAJOR VISITS AND ACTIVITIES	
March 15, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Taylor, Shakera Lawrence	Charles Jackson from Food Well Alliance Organizes Group of 8 Volunteers to Help with Weeding, Filling Raised Beds With Soil, and Planting (Onions and Potatoes) in the FPG. FWA Provided Tools, Snacks and Refreshments.	12
April 12, 2025	Juliana Taylor, Shakera Lawrence	Scout Troop Helps plant bean and corn seeds in starter containers for FPG. paint and plant at the garden. Volunteer Jackie Gives Them Hands on Experience with Vermicomposting.	9
June 21, 2025	Columbus Brown	Charles Jackson, Jr. from FWA Organizes Group of Volunteers for Weeding, Planting and Harvesting.	13
May 31, 2025	Columbus Brown	Amy Hudson of Food Well Alliance Conducts Interview and Took Photos for their First Summer Donor Campaign	5
June 23, 2025	Columbus Brown	Claudia Maturell, Photo Journalist for Canopy Atlanta Took Photographs Throughout the Garden for Upcoming Story by Jack Rose	4
September 16, 2025	N/A	Charles Jackson, Jr. from FWA Organizes Group of Volunteers for Weeding and Planting Seeds for Kale and Mustards.	4
September 24, 2025	Columbus Brown	Meet with Flannery and Intern from FWA to talk about ways to improve Compost System. Representative from Fernbank Elementary School Community Garden also participated.	4
October 4, 2025	Columbus Brown	Charles Jackson, Jr. from FWA Organizes Group of Volunteers for Weeding, Planting and Harvesting.	6

November 8, 2025	Columbus Brown, Gertrude James Allen, Ken Michaels, Shakera Lawrence	Ryan Yao of Rooted in Solutions Organized Visit of Five Students plus Parents Working Together with other Workday Volunteers preparing garden for upcoming freeze—mulched blueberry patch with pine straw, planted lavender plant in Herb Garden, Removed freeze sensitive plants, prepared an planted raised beds with cabbages, chives, brussel sprouts, kale and mustard greens. They also harvested 5 pounds of horned melons and 4 pounds of lemongrass. They also put down cardboard and mulch between raised beds in FPG and cleaned up and added soil in large mammal excluder.	25
December 16, 2025	Columbus Brown	Charles Jackson of FWA Organizes Group of Volunteers	4
TOTAL			74
DATE	MASTER GARDENERS	SMCG COMMITTEE MEETINGS	
January 30, 2024	Columbus Brown, Juliana Pierre, Shakera Lawrence, Beth Wallace	December 2024 Quarterly Meeting (Postponed)	6
March 20, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Pierre	March 2024 Quarterly Meeting	4
June 30, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Pierre	June 2023 Quarterly Meeting	5
September 25, 2025	Columbus Brown, Juliana Pierre	September 2024 Quarterly Meeting	4
TOTAL			19
COMBINED TOTAL			389

2011-25 Deliveries to Stone Mountain Ecumenical Food Pantry

