

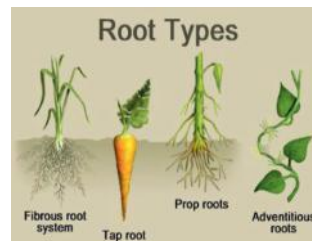
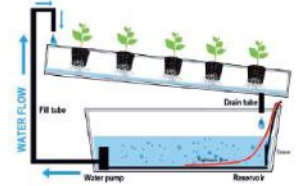
AgriPreneurship

The University Church - UT HealthGrows Community Garden

GROWING FOOD - GROWING AWARENESS - GROWING COMPASSION

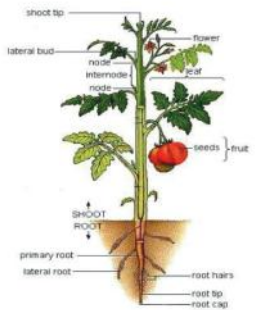
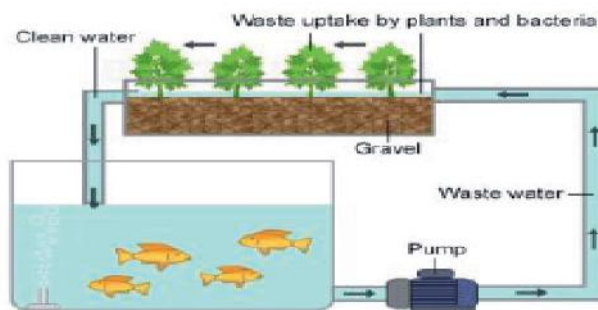
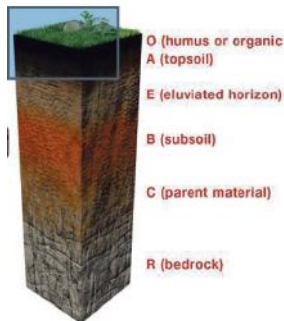
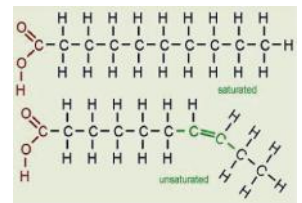


In 2016 we began a new program designed to bring together agriculture and entrepreneurship in order to help individuals and families launch small businesses that generate income and provide added financial stability. Our staff coordinated a series of six educational sessions on agriculture from which six individuals graduated during this pilot phase.



Graduates of our program are eligible for financial support from the church for business training through Assets Toledo.

All our classes were recorded and video sessions on AgriPreneurship are now available through YouTube for future participants in our program.



Selling produce at Farmers' Markets



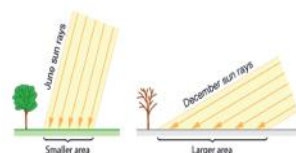
Community Supported Agriculture



Microgreen production

ACIDIC	NEUTRAL	ALKALINE	HIGHLY ALKALINE
0	1 2 3 4 5	6 7 8 9	10 11 12 13 14
Nutrient deficiencies & toxicities (Fe, Mn, Al)		Ideal pH for plant growth	Nutrient deficiencies, toxicities (CO ₃ ²⁻ , HCO ₃ ⁻ , AlO ₂ ⁻) & sodicity
APPLY LIME			CONSIDER TOLERANT SPECIES

Understanding soil pH and its effects



Sunlight

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Composting

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Through our curriculum, participants learned about the fundamentals of botany, introductory soil science, the use of fertilizers, pests and plant disease, garden planning, cultural food practices, good agricultural practices (GAP), and the technical terminology of agriculture. Participants were provided with an extensive notebook of reference materials covering these topics.



Presentations by guest speakers included local business operations by Toledo City Council member Sandy Spang of Plate 21, supplying restaurants with fresh produce by Prakash Karamchandani of Balance Restaurants, food systems by Molly Reams Thompson of The Food Collaborative, and agricultural practices by Don Schooner of Inspired By Nature, among others.



Sessions were held at our community garden, a local greenhouse operation, an area farm, a farm-to-table restaurant, a kombucha production workspace, and a local brewery.



Our program graduates have the opportunity to enroll in the business mentoring program of Assets Toledo to learn a range of business skills, from obtaining microloans to professional networking.

Staffing for the this program includes our own garden staff and local professionals with expertise to share. Our pilot program on AgriPreneurship has been supported by individual donors like you and by in-kind support from local organizations involved in food systems.

Scott Delaney is the Community Garden Director at The University Church and brings his considerable expertise in urban agriculture to bear on issues of food insecurity and food systems in our community. Scott can be reached at:

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Thank you for your interest in our work and we look forward to seeing you at our next AgriPreneurship series.

