ONE LITTLE LOT: THE 1-2-3s OF AN URBAN GARDEN

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In a bustling, urban neighborhood, count the ways one little lot becomes a beautiful community vegetable garden.

Count all the ways (one to ten) an urban community unites to clean up an abandoned lot. From building planter boxes to pulling weeds to planting seeds, everyone works together to transform the lot into a bountiful vegetable garden. As the garden grows, strangers become friends, eventually sharing in a special feast with the harvest they grew.

Fun Facts:

• Keep America Beautiful formed in 1953 when a group of corporate and civic leaders met in New York City to bring the public and private sectors together to develop and promote a national cleanliness ethic. To learn more about Keep America Beautiful click here.
• The most likely date for a last frost in Georgia is March 27, so April is a great time to start a garden!
• The Center for Urban Agriculture is empowering Georgia through UGA Extension. Visit their website to read blogs, get tips and tricks on schools gardens.

Videos:

• Urban Farm Helping Serve Atlanta’s West End Community
• Atlanta Group Helps Establish an Urban Agriculture Plan
• Urban Farming Takes Root In Downtown Atlanta
• What Shipshape Urban Farms is growing hydroponically
• Ranger Nick: Unique Rooftop Garden in Athens

Activities:

• Start a School Garden
• Create a garden using containers
• How to start seeds indoors
• Garden color page
• Lesson and Activity: Desktop Greenhouse
• Horticulture Activity Page

Visit gfb.ag/aitc for more activities