



# BIANNUAL REPORT

**2023**

January - June



# PROGRAMS

## 146 TOTAL HOURS

In these six months, we have hosted 146 hours of programming with 9 different community groups. Our programs focused on the circular economy, sewing skills, workforce development, and sustainable agriculture.



### The Breakdown

**27 hours with Positive Education Program**  
**4 hours with May Dugan**  
**8 hours with Cleveland Housing Network**  
**14 hours with Urban Community School**  
**6 hours with USCRI**  
**17 hours with Queen I Am**  
**20 hours with University Settlement**  
**8 hours with Hawkin**  
**2 hours with the Scouts**  
**40 hours of community-based programming**

Our programs average a **dozen** participants



# COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMMING

**36**  
**HOURS**

**WITH 2 GRADUATED COHORTS**



We have worked with four cohorts in our community-based classes, fostering sewing skills and community connection.

**4** scholarship recipients

## Participation

1st cohort - 5 students

2nd cohort - 4 students

3rd cohort (in session) - 6 students

4th cohort (in session)- 10 students





# PRODUCTION

**155 UNITS PRODUCED TO-DATE**

We recovered **900** tons of banner material from the NFL draft...

And with that material, we are piloting a line of upcycled products.



**50 bags sold**

**60 bags**

donated to **Circular Cleveland Summit**

**25 bags**

donated to **community partners**

We are currently in the process of expanding our capacity and documenting our production process.



**More products in development!**



# CLEVELAND SOWS

## 200+ PLANTS PLANTED



This year we hope to increase yield using sustainable farming techniques and **permaculture** principles. Our produce will be distributed to the community through programming and garden days.

**With the help of our volunteers, we have planted:**

- 50+ tomatoes
- 30+ cucumbers
- 20+ eggplants
- 50+ collard greens
- 60+ peppers
- marigold, cilantro, basil, carrots, radishes, zucchini, mushrooms, and more!





# PEOPLE 431.5 VOLUNTEER HOURS



**39** individuals have come to volunteer with us, contributing a total of **431.5** volunteer hours.

Our volunteers have played a critical role in developing the garden, assisting with programming, and creating products.

## Our volunteers come from:

- John Carroll University
- Kent State University
- Summer on the Cuyahoga
- CSU Nursing Program
- Hawkin Upper
- Our awesome community!



# REBRANDING

## 30+ NEW DESIGNS

This year we plan to expand our brand and create a more cohesive narrative for our organization. As such, we have been revamping our graphics and style guides.



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We have created new illustrations, a new logo, a new website, presentations, posters, flyers, and other educational material with our new brand colors and aesthetic.