

Welcome to Mesa Urban Garden



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*Working to inspire sustainable urban
living in the community.*



Sprout an Idea



Launched through iMesa, an online civic engagement process, residents are invited to imagine transformative projects to improve their community.

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The idea gathered enough public votes to get the attention of City officials.



" Use vacant downtown parcels...

...to grow fresh produce... and a place for people to gather! "

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A group of enthusiastic community members joined forces and created a proposal for Mesa Urban Garden.

These individuals brought skills and knowledge of urban planning, sustainability studies, local business, military service and neighborhood economic development.



Groundbreaking: July 2012

Mission: To inspire sustainable urban living in the community.

Cultivate Partners



MUG's signature mural by Kyllan Maney and Lauren Lee features a Frida Kahlo inspired Mother Nature

MUG went to work to cultivate community partners! The Mesa Arts Center, just a few blocks away, quickly incorporated art through murals and the site instantly acquired a sense of place.

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Harvest Enthusiasm



The garden features 100 garden beds, fruit and shade trees, an open Ramada...

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...and specially designed beds for the physically challenged (installed by ASU design classes).

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Garden beds can be leased to individuals or as communal plots which are tended by volunteers and harvests are donated to local food banks and shelters.

Nourish Sustainment



Workshops take place including gardening, composting and solar cooking. You can even find a good book at the onsite 'little free library.'

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Muralists at MUG - Top L to R: JB Snyder, Joseph Sentrock Perez, Lauren Lee. Middle: Kyllan Maney & Lauran Lee, Bottom L to R Thomas Breeze Marcus, anonymous

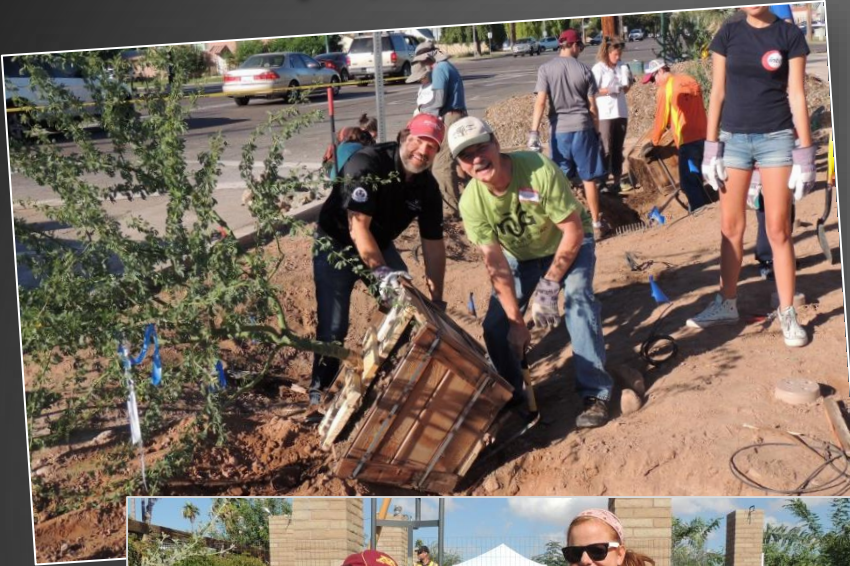
" Murals cultivate engagement... " Every wall now has art!

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Stop by for art and music events, potlucks Urban Street Salsa Night and COMMUNITY Slow Flow Yoga.

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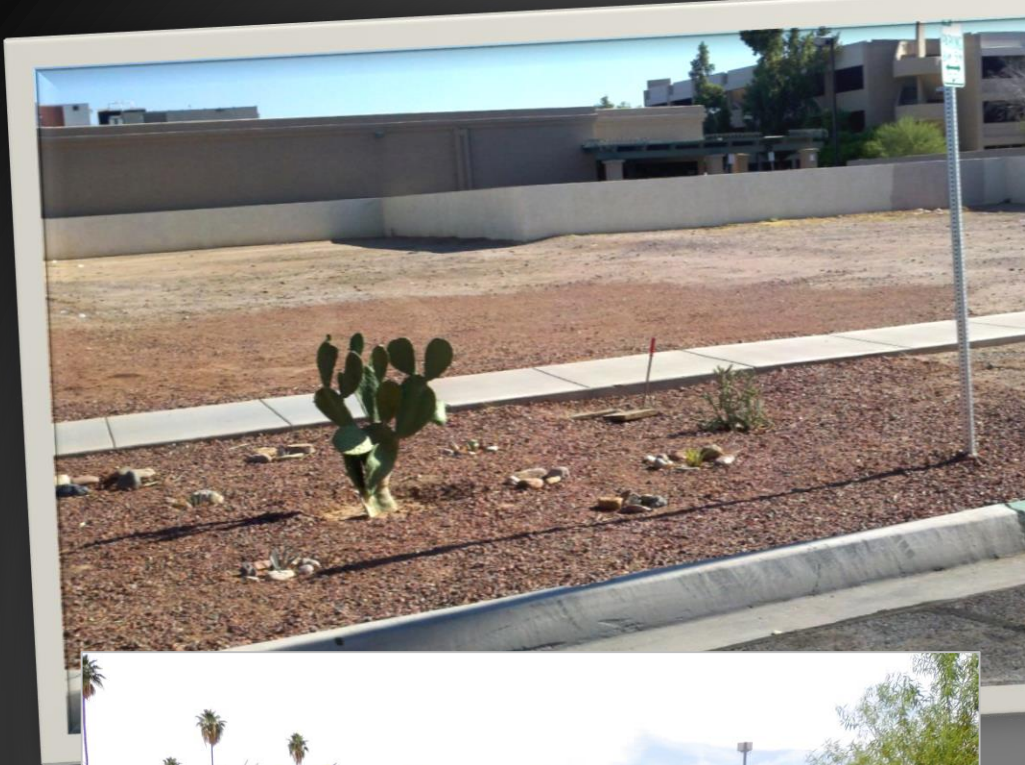
- Partners with MUG and Mesa
- Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
 - Clean Air Cab
 - Watershed Management Group
 - Valley Rain
 - República Empanada
 - Arizona State University

Adding to the outreach and education, in November 2014, MUG and Mesa partnered again, and with the help of the community, installed a demonstration of Low Impact Development.

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This technique allows more rainwater to channel into street landscapes rather than carry pollutants to our rivers.



From a vacant parcel to a property full of life...



...MUG keeps growing in more ways than one.