Get Growing Hunt Club (GGHC) 2022 Report to HCCA Board River Ward Councillor Brockington April 4, 2022

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Progress to date

- GGHC core team assembled. Roles and responsibilities set. Two virtual meetings held.
- Project blueprint, project charter written and attached here. Project roadmap (tasks/timelines) is written and used to track the operational tasks and dates of completion (Board members have access to this information and meeting documents etc. via shared HCCA google).
- The products-all vegetable seeds and seedlings-are ordered or in hand. Each year generous donations and support have allowed the GGHC program to provide excellent value for money.
 - In 2022, the program received a donation of 110 packages of vegetable seeds from a private donor and Lee Valley tools donated 120 packages of seeds for no cost. The retail price of these donations is \$700.
 - Budgeted funds have been primarily targeted to the purchase of 230 seedlings with small amounts of expenses for bagging, etc expected.
 - Domain name: Get Growing Hunt Club was registered-cost of \$40-done to prevent "parking" of the name.
- Registration-gardeners will be invited to register for seed/seedling kit in April.
 There will be early bird registration for those who have participated before and then the registration will be more widely promoted.
- An information pamphlet about care of seedlings will be provided with each kit.
- Distribution Saturday May 21-kits will be delivered directly into OCH housing and for other registrants there will be a central pick up spot outside the Hunt Club Riverside Park Community Centre (HCRPCC) 10 am-1pm. Thank you to Councillor Brockington's office and the coordinator of the HCRPCC for securing the space for no charge. May 28th is the rain date.
- Fundraising-for coming GGHC years. The GGHC team suggests that with the call for registration for a seedkit this year we ask people to consider a donation to -"sponsor a seedling kit" for next year. Any funds raised could be earmarked for GGHC 2023 and beyond.

Thank you to HCCA Board and the HCCA community association for the supporting your Hunt neighbours in their efforts to grow their own nutritious food. Thank you also to each of the members of the core GGHC volunteer team: Lorraine Busby, Jason Dubue, Kitty Dubue, Christine Johnson, Courtney McRury, Piero Narducci and Lamis Wehbe. Thanks also to Matt Page, HCCA Board member, who has attended the GGHC meetings.

Submitted by Barb Shea, Lead, GGHC core volunteer team