

Become a Member. Help our Ideas Take Root!

Your membership helps support our education programs, gardens, and public outreach initiatives. All contributions are tax deductible.

Membership Benefits

All members receive:

- *The Dirt* quarterly newsletter.
- Discounts at participating local nurseries, garden shops, and farmer's markets. Refer to CLDS website for participating businesses and discount programs.
- Discounts on all CLDS-sponsored educational workshops, program registration fees, and special events.
- Discounts on garden plot rental fees at any existing or future community garden managed by the CLDS.
- Recognition on the CLDS website.

Higher levels of individual and corporate sponsorship are available with additional benefits, including recognition in the newsletter and on engraved plaques within the garden, advertising space within the newsletter, CLDS t-shirts and tote bags, and the use of the garden for special events.

Log-on to the CLDS website today for additional information and to download a membership form.

www.DigCLDS.org

Memberships make great gifts!



Come see what all the buzz is about! Visit our demonstration gardens currently under development in Drums, PA, just north of Hazleton. The Human Nature Community Garden is operated and managed in partnership with Butler Township.

*Working
to make our
community
greener,
one person
at a time.*

If you have questions concerning the mission of the CLDS, membership options, or would like to volunteer your time to our gardens and programs, call Krista Schneider at 570-578-5903.

CENTER FOR
**LANDSCAPE
DESIGN &
Stewardship**

GET DOWN, GET DIRTY, GET INVOLVED! Volunteer • Attend a Class • Become a Member • Plant a Garden

What is a Community Garden?

A lively and beautiful setting for socializing, education, and exercise: A place where people of all ages and backgrounds share their knowledge and discoveries by turning the soil in tandem.

An old idea in a new economy: As produce costs soar, Americans are recognizing the value of the “new age” victory garden. According to studies conducted by Burbee seed company, growing your own vegetable garden “...will result in a 1 to 25 cost-savings ratio.” In other words, \$50 worth of seeds and fertilizer can produce \$1,250 worth of groceries purchased at a supermarket.

How Can You Rent Your Own Plot?

Call the Center for Landscape Design & Stewardship at 570-578-5903 or visit www.DigCLDS.org for more information.

The Center for Landscape Design & Stewardship (CLDS) is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization that promotes environmental and community sustainability through education, demonstration, and public outreach.

Education

Fertilize your mind....organically, of course! Come participate in adult classes and workshops that will teach you how to “go green” in your own backyard. Learn how to: design sustainable landscapes using native plants nourished by rain and natural fertilizers; raise your own organic vegetables; and make your home landscape more attractive, functional, and meaningful.

Children’s education programs are also being developed to encourage hand’s-on study, science exploration, socialization, and outdoor recreation within a safe and beautiful garden setting. Kids will have fun digging in the dirt, pressing plants, taste-testing fruit and vegetables, chasing butterflies, telling stories, and collecting seeds.

Inquire today for a schedule of upcoming programs and workshops.

Outreach

Grow you own food, eat well, and save money! The CLDS is working with municipalities, schools, and several partner organizations to establish community gardens throughout the Greater Hazleton Area.

Inquire today to see what gardens are already underway, where new gardens may be established, and how you can rent a plot of your own.

Demonstration

Come see what all the buzz is about! The CLDS is in the process of developing a distinctive facility that will demonstrate the latest “green” design ideas for the home and garden.

GARDENS

Our gardens provide a place to see native plants, edible gardens, and sustainable design techniques on display. They also provide a place for community gatherings and events. Come see our plans for a butterfly garden, gazebo and performance lawn that will provide a beautiful and intimate setting for special events.



GREEN BUILDING

Want to see a building warmed by the sun, powered by the wind, and cooled by a green roof? The CLDS plans to have its future Education Center be a model of energy efficient design and cutting-edge green building technology. This facility will also demonstrate water conservation techniques, use of recycled materials, and waste reduction practices. Once established, it will also house classrooms, exhibit areas, and space for community events.