Our Edible World Community Garden

McMillen's Commitment to Green Initiatives

Under the tutelage of Master Gardener Gary Stephens and his wife Linda, 20 raised garden beds were installed on the McMillen Center campus in the summer of 2012. This could not have been completed without the assistance of the construction trades classes from Anthis Career Center. We donated 307 lbs. of seasonal vegetables to the Community Harvest Food Bank as a result of the Stephens' dedication to the McMillen Center beds. This project offers additional collaborative opportunities for youth and adults. Future plans include returning our back four acres to prairie land, building a walking trail, additional raised garden beds, and an outdoor education area. During the United Way Day of Caring, volunteers from Chase Bank refreshed our 31-year-old campus.

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Strong Collaborative Community Health Projects

Family Table

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Cell phone usage, and motor vehicle deaths linked to this usage, continue to be in the news. Choices our youth are making can follow them the rest of their lives. Topics like sexting, and texting and driving have additional legal ramifications. At the McMillen Center we are committed to teaching the topics that teachers and students are facing and we are proud to do so with facts that meet both National and Indiana Health Education standards.

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