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CP Research: We Start Gardens

We Start Gardens's mission is to keep traditions started by helping the community stay connected to the agricultural scene by encouraging and teaching how to cultivate green stalk [1]. There are a total of forty-five urban farms and gardens, twelve school gardens, and forty-four community gardens in the Bay Area [2]. They have multiple types of people that take interest; clients who want to learn how to start their own garden; consumers who want to visit community gardens or receive various herbs and fruits. Derek Bryant found the organization in 2013 and now runs operations and marketing [3]. We Start Garden teaches about gardening, DIY tea blends, and ground crafting. A service Derek offers is free gardening class in the Santa Clara County, which can be requested through his website. Projects that We Start Gardens have are School District Garden Restoration, The Grow room at the African American Service Agency, and Culinary and Medicinal Herb Garden Start-Up [4]. A project he talked about was "Herb Database" which is a spreadsheet Derek comprised, with his readings from multiple sources, to understand which herbs are scientifically or traditionally used to treat different health problems. Making this spreadsheet accessible to the public would be a big benefit because people who are looking for home remedies to target certain health problems could grow herbs through Derek's research and guidance.

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[2] University of California, "Bay Area Urban Algriculture Map," [Online]. Available: <https://ucanr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Shortlist/index.html?appid=ef68873e3906426c81a8cb6f1a0b9f1a>. [Accessed 25 09 2024].

[3] D. Bryant, "About," [Online]. Available: <https://www.westartgardens.com/blank-1#comp-ldutch031>. [Accessed 25 09 2024].

[4] D. Byrant, "Events & Projects," [Online]. Available: <https://www.westartgardens.com/projects-6#comp-lf21wsjk>. [Accessed 25 09 2024].