

Dallas Youth Garden News

June 2020

Our cooler sometimes wet weather this June has not slowed our garden activities. June started as usual with interns getting their first paycheck. Planting was quickly finished and they moved on to intensive weeding then mulching by spreading recycled paper down and covering it with straw. This helps keep down weeds, conserves water, and will help build up the soil as it is tilled in at season's end.

In late June we had our first harvests of the season and delivered over 30 pounds of radishes to our new partner the Polk County Family and Community Outreach Department for distribution to the hungry in our community. Our radish harvest is usually small but is always a good start to the harvest season.

For our summer fund raising project the interns have elected to dedicate funds to tree watering bags for our growing orchard. Please support them in this effort.

This season we will not be holding our open house. Instead interns will be making a series of garden tour videos directed by our senior interns that will be posted online. I will post links in our next newsletter.



First Pay Check



Planting Done



Mulching – Paper & Straw



First Harvest



Special thanks to Anderson Mobile Service, Kathy Chiles, and Polk County Family and Community Outreach. Thanks also to our supervisors Eileen Shaffer, Amanda Felton, and Amelia Gardner. They do such a great job!

If you have any questions about the garden please e-mail anderson.dean@dallasyouthgarden.org or visit our web page at www.dallasyouthgarden.org.