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Idea 35	Local agricultural systems that support family and community gardens
Proposal 35a	Communities invest in infrastructure and labor for at least one garden/farm that grows fresh food in every community district
Description	Communities invest in infrastructure and labor for at least one garden/farm that grows fresh food in every community district. Provide food access and normalize consumption of healthy food for all ages. This will serve as an eco-hub to promote sustainability – farming, composting, recycling, education.
How will the proposed action advance equitable health and wellbeing?	
Is there work we can build on?	Green City Force Harlem Farms Out of the Garden Project (North Carolina) 596 Acres is now defunct but offers a good model The Black Church Food Security Network Workers cooperatives where community members invest in themselves
Who would have to act? Who would be key partners?	Established community leaders
A few high-level action steps	 Fund and expand on existing grassroots programs. Understand more about what programs exist, what makes them successful (and unsuccessful), and build best practices for repeatability. Include local initiatives in participatory budgeting. National effort to turn vacant lots into community gardens.
Other comments or guidance	