

# Roots Down

New Bedford

what:

## Spring Gardening Workshops held in New Bedford Neighborhoods.

why:

To help new and experienced gardeners gain a deeper understanding of methods used in healthy food production.

To help build local food security for our community.

when and where: *This is a list of currently scheduled workshops as of 3/23/09. We'll be adding additional workshops in other neighborhoods in the coming weeks.*

Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 4PM, Lawler Branch Library (Rockdale Ave) ongoing through summer  
"Preparing a New Garden Bed and Rejuvenating Your Existing Garden, Intro to Container Gardening"

Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 5PM, Victory Park (Brock Ave. and Freedom Blvd.) (1<sup>st</sup> of 3)  
"Soil Testing and Soil Biology Basics"

Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM, Pulaski School (1097 Braley Rd.) – Far North End Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting

Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>, 4PM, Peaceworks Garden (22 Maxfield St.) (1<sup>st</sup> of 3)  
"Important First Steps: Soil Testing and New Garden Design"

Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5PM, Victory Park (Brock Ave. and Freedom Blvd.) (2<sup>nd</sup> of 3)  
"Safe Fertilizer Use, Natural Amendments, and Interpreting Soil Tests."

Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 4PM, Lawler Branch Library (Rockdale Ave) ongoing through summer  
"Starting Your Own Seedlings and Using Transplanting and Crop Succession to Increase Production"

Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 5PM, Victory Park (Brock Ave. and Freedom Blvd.) (3<sup>rd</sup> of 3)  
"Non-Toxic Methods for Insect Control"

Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 4PM, Peaceworks Garden (22 Maxfield St.) (2<sup>nd</sup> of 3)  
"Safe Fertilizer Use: Compost, Fish, and Other Natural Materials."

Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4PM, Lawler Branch Library (745 Rockdale Ave) ongoing through summer

Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4PM, Peaceworks Garden (22 Maxfield St.) (3<sup>rd</sup> of 3)  
"Non-Toxic Methods for Insect Control"

**Please join us for our free monthly series focusing on sustainable gardening techniques. 4PM on the first Tuesday of every month (March – November).**

At the Lawler Branch Public Library at 745 Rockdale Ave. (NE Corner of Buttonwood Park). Accessible by SRTA bus routes #6 and #10.



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