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# What a Year!

FROGTOWN GREEN ANNUAL REPORT



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# What We Accomplished

WE WORKED TOGETHER TO MAKE FROGTOWN GREENER



## WE WORKED TO BUILD RESILIENCE

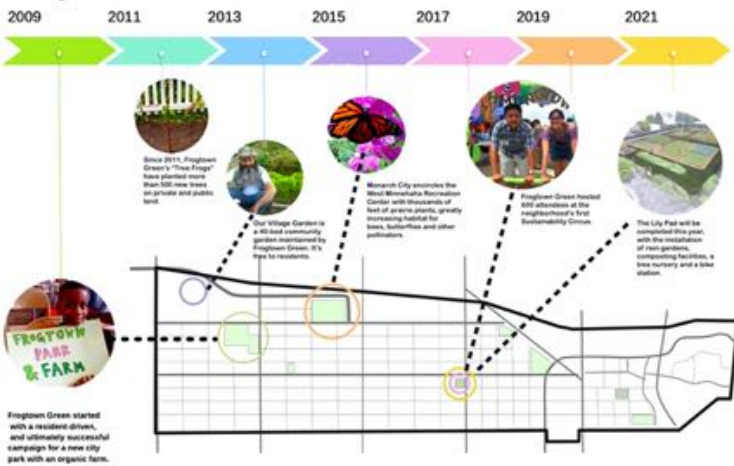
Climate change was always on our minds this year. The long, hot stretch of drought in July and August made its reality impossible to ignore.

We used to say Frogtown needs to be greener in order to be lovelier. Now we know that Frogtown needs to be greener so that Frogtowners can bear up against the heat, flooding and storms that are coming our way.

We need to plant more trees, grow more food, create more habitat for bees, birds and pollinators, steward our water more carefully, and throughout that work, ensure environmental justice and equity in all we do.

### Frogtown Green

Resident-led and volunteer-driven, Frogtown Green advocates and works for equity in our neighborhood, developing green spaces and urban farms and gardens, planting trees, and offering environmental education since 2009.



*"When you start at the neighborhood level, you can do a little something about global climate change. And every little something adds up."*

— Patricia Ohmans  
Director, Frogtown Green

# How It All Adds Up

FROGTOWN GREEN IN 2021: BY THE NUMBERS

## GARDENS, GREENSPACES & TREES

Frogtown Green operates and maintains five separate greenspaces in the neighborhood, ranging from Our Village, a decade-old community garden space, to Monarch City, an 8,000 square foot pollinator garden that completely encircles West Minnehaha Rec Center. We've planted 600 trees in the past 10 years!

**40**

### GARDENS

Garden beds at Our Village were maintained by residents of nearby apartments and homes.

**3**

### BEEES

Three endangered Rusty Patched bumblebees were photographed in Monarch City this summer!

**125**

### TREES

New fruit and shade trees were planted this year in Frogtown and in two adjacent neighborhoods.

## DEMONSTRATIONS, RESTORATION & FUN

We offered environmental education classes for kids all summer long, stocked a kiosk with take-home art kits, and built an outdoor sustainability learning center at the Lily Pad, with exhibits on compost, rain gardens, trees, bird habitat and more.

**400**

Take-home, artist-designed art kits were snapped up by families and kids visiting the Lily Pad.

**8K**

Thousands of gallons of stormwater will be filtered by the Lily Pad's new rain garden over a summer.

**1**

Our colorful new chimney swift tower creates a roost for birds migrating north and south.

## MINIMAL FUNDS, VALUABLE VOLUNTEERS

Residents and visitors, interns and AmeriCorps members contributed thousands of hours, vastly multiplying the impact of our 1-person staff.

**\$72K**

Our total operating budget in 2021 from grants, contracts and donations.

**\$35K**

The value of 1,222 hours of Frogtown Green volunteer labor, at \$25 per hour.

**\$12K**

Our director is paid \$12,000. Interns, summer staff and volunteers do the rest!

# How You Contributed

FUNDERS, PARTNERS, DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS



## FREE TREE & PLANTING

SIX VARIETIES TO CHOOSE FROM

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## WE COULD NEVER HAVE DONE IT ALONE

Nothing we did this year could have been accomplished without the able and energetic labor of hundreds of volunteers, along with collaboration from partner organizations and—of course—support from our funders.

We were funded by contracts and grants from the MN Pollution Control Agency, the MN Department of Natural Resources, Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy, MN Department of Health, Capitol Region Watershed District, Banbro Inc, Unity Church-Unitarian, Audubon Society and US Forest Service.

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*Thank you!*