

PLOWSHARES ADVOCATE

"That no one in our community go hungry ..."

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Garden Workday—almost ready to plant!



Back: Cyril, Lucas, Peter. **Front:** Julie, Gail, Susan, Sandra, Cody, Edward, Jackie, Jim. Photo by Kirk Fuller

Several hardy souls (above) volunteered a rainy Saturday to create irrigation trenches and garden beds in our brand-new garden.

Cyril Colonius, who initiated the "Day of Gardening" as a Leadership Mendocino Class XVI Project, reports: "Seven garden events were planned throughout Mendocino County. Because of the wonderful rain and the foolishness of these volunteers, the Plowshares site was the only active site that day!"

The volunteers were members and friends of Leadership Mendocino, Mendocino Master Gardeners and Plowshares.

FROM PLOWSHARES' MAILBOX:

Thank you for all that you do! It is a great comfort to know that our mother is receiving a hot meal five days a week.

Enclosed is a donation in support of the Meals-on-Wheels program.

Warm Regards,
 (Out-of-state donors)



Volunteers successfully created 180 feet of 4-foot wide beds, and also dug trenches for irrigation lines. Photo by Cyril Colonius.

SPECIAL GARDEN THANKS TO: (Not a complete list—it's still growing!)

- **Heath Dolan of Dark Horse Farming Co.**, for donating metal fenceposts.
- **Peter Reynolds of Down to Earth Landscaping**, for installing irrigation.
- **Coggins Fence & Supply**, for custom-building & donating all the garden gates.
- **El Azteca Restaurant**, for donating burritos for our garden workday.
- **Mendocino County Farm Supply** for donating bales of straw.
- **California Shingle & Shake Co.**, for donating pallets for compost bins.
- **Ed Nieves**, for grantwriting assistance on a water-catchment proposal.
- **Jim and Kim at Mendocino College's Agriculture Dept.**, for free veggie starts.

P.S. You can still grow an extra row for us. Fresh veggies are always very welcome.