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## Volunteers: Please drop by library garden

**Newton, NC, May 5, 2014**

The first community garden at Catawba County Library welcomes your help.

The first-ever vegetable garden at Main Library in Newton will be planted behind the back parking lot facing Ashe Avenue. Plans call for 12 raised beds to grow vegetables and herbs to aid local food pantries.

April Green, Youth Services librarian, is coordinating the project.

“We will hold some story times in the garden and illustrate topics we’re reading about with examples from the garden,” Green said.

The project will enhance the library’s Summer Reading program for children and youth.

Financial support from the community is being sought. The library has already received grants from Friends of Catawba County Library, Walmart and Scots Miracle-Gro. Grants are pending from Home Depot, Lowe’s Home Improvement and Target.

Individuals are invited to donate equipment. Stop by the Main Library in Newton and select a “leaf” from the giving tree display. Each leaf names a wished-for item. Individuals should take their “leaf” to the circulation desk to sign up to donate that item to the project. Once the donation is made, the donor’s name will be written on the leaf for the tree display located in the library and then later near the garden.

For more information, contact Green at [agreen@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:agreen@catawbacountync.gov) or call 828-465-8668.

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**About:** *The Catawba County Library System, headquartered in Newton, NC, serves the citizens of Catawba County with seven branches throughout the county and is a year-round, integral provider of early literacy and lifelong learning. In addition to traditional services, the system provides a full complement of computer and digital services, classes and support to bridge the digital divide, empower job seekers, and enhance community quality of life and economic health.*

