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Subject David Reuse
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Interviewer Bill Lambrinoydis

Abstract Mr. David Reuse, the coordinator of the project of the West 58th Street Community Gateway Garden, describes his involvement with the project in the interview.

Special Notes The West 58th Street Community Gateway Garden.
Tags Neighborhoods, gardens, vacant lots.

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0 0 Background info
1 1 Neighborhood revitalization.
2 2 Biographical info: come to Cleveland when 16.
3 3 Reason for writing grant. Revitalizing lots.
4 4 Gathering support from the other individuals.
5 5 Location of lots and efforts to get new lots.
6 6 Facets of cleaning and redeveloping empty lots.
7 7 Concerns for public safety due to dead trees.
8 8 Materials needed for garden and issue of theft.
9 9 Potential for a playground and land use.
10 10 Hopes for the project and community outreach.
11 11 Gardening and garden description.
12 12 Dispersing vegetables to the community.
13 13 Impact on community; types of vegetables.
14 14 Hopes to double garden size; eco-benefits.
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16 16 How he came to be aware of grant program.
17 17 Difficulties in expanding community projects.
18 18 Need for more donations and volunteers.
19 19 Need for more continued.
20 20 City government and Reimagining hindering progress.
21 21 Reasons for slow progress.
22 22 Regressions occurring due to slow progress.
23 23 Expectations for this and next year.
24 24 Initial expenses greater than future expenses.
25 25 Community involvement.
26 26 Involvement continued.
27 27 Litter control.
28 28 Expenses incurred by Mr. Reuse.
29 29 Expenses continued.
30 30 Possible financial donations.
31 31 Expenses
32 32 He received plant donations from other community gardens in the area.
33 33 Various donations.
34 34 Recycling materials for garden use.
35 35 Satisfaction through community participation.
36 36 Community participation, cook-outs and other uses.
37 37 Appreciation from those not involved.
38 38 End.