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Subject	Mansfield Frazier
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Interviewer	Jessica Walsh
Abstract	Mansfield Frazier discusses starting a vineyard in the Hough neighborhood with the hopes of one day opening a winery. He talks about the difficulties in dealing with antiquated city ordinances and laws that prevent certain aspects of the gardens to move forward. Mansfield also discusses his hopes that urban farming will expand in the city and the nation. He also talks briefly about the task of acquiring enough grapes for his anticipated winery.
Special Notes	Continuation of a previous interview; 700002
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	0 Intro, grows grapes in his back yard. He builds houses.
	1 The notion of producing food is starting to take off in the country. The vineyard is a segway into a winery. There is something sexy about creating a winery.
	2 Talks about wineries in Lake County. Numerous wineries in the state but there are few urban wineries in the area.
	3 Left the city for thirty years but came back in 1995. Traveled and lived all over the world.
	4 Discusses past community involvement.
	5 Talks about working with kids and utilizing the vacant land in the area for this purpose.
	6 Discusses how he heard about the grant for Re-Imaging Cleveland.
	7 The city is slowing things up with the projects.
	8 Talks about the city not permitting grape vines because they are considered a "permanent structure." The issues will be worked out, hopefully, for the next set of projects.
	9 Discusses accepting help from neighbors. He'll accept their help but won't rely on them.
	10 Talks about expanding urban farming. Mentions "must" as the key component in making wine.
	11 A winery could create jobs for the area that provide a living wage for workers.
	12 Talks about never growing enough grapes in Cleveland to supply a winery. There are thousands of acres of vacant land which provides new opportunities.
	13 Discusses reactions to the vineyard from the neighborhood.
	14 Talks about the differences between vineyards and wineries.
	15 Interest was sparked by the urban winery in Brooklyn, NY
	16 Talks about some of the things the city has had issue with.
	17 Has a clear vision of what the vineyard needs.
	18 Talks about putting up a large sign whether or not the grant will pay for it.
	19 Discusses future community involvement and projects he hopes to be involved with. Talks about orphan trees around the city.
	20 Talks about pruning a tree on public property for a couple years and just recently has been able to harvest crops from the tree.
	21 Discusses his goals of creating jobs, being environmentally responsible, and donating excess crops to people who need them.
	22 Talks about collaborating with other garden projects.
	23 Talks about training young people to assist older people who are not physically capable of gardening.
	24 Discusses food deserts in inner city neighborhoods.
	25 Talks about putting ideas out there so someone might try it and make it work.
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	27 Discusses how he views the city of Cleveland will change in the future. Cities got too big, it would be better to be smaller and use the resources available.
	28 Population will only increase with immigrants moving in.
	29 Everybody has different experiences they bring to the table. Just do something, don't sit there. Have courage to make the community better.
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	31 Cleveland is backwards in certain ways compared to other cities. Clevelanders tend to be too hard on themselves and failure is expected in the city.
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	33 Talks about doing well in school because of his mother, schools are not at fault, parents fail their children.
	34 Discusses generational dysfunction in the black community as a result of slavery.
	35 The project needs to eventually create wealth.
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