

# Garnering Stakeholder Perceptions of Urban Community Garden Features Through the Utilization of Photovoice Research

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## The Current Goals

Explore local stakeholder perceptions and attitudes towards greenspaces and identify different uses and features that should be included in a local community greenspace and garden to be built.

Add to body of literature; previous research largely explores stakeholder perceptions toward established community gardens rather than their perceptions during the planning and design of a community garden.

## The Physical End Goal

Establish a productive and desired community garden and green space on currently unutilized land in the Dayton View Triangle neighborhood.

## Photovoice Research

Typically used to explore in-depth participant perspectives. Participants are asked to take pictures and those pictures are discussed in detail during interviews/focus groups.

Comparatively, this study explores perspectives using a selected group of pictures. These select group of pictures were shown to participants and ranked and prioritized using stickers.

## The Poster Board Photovoice Design Implemented

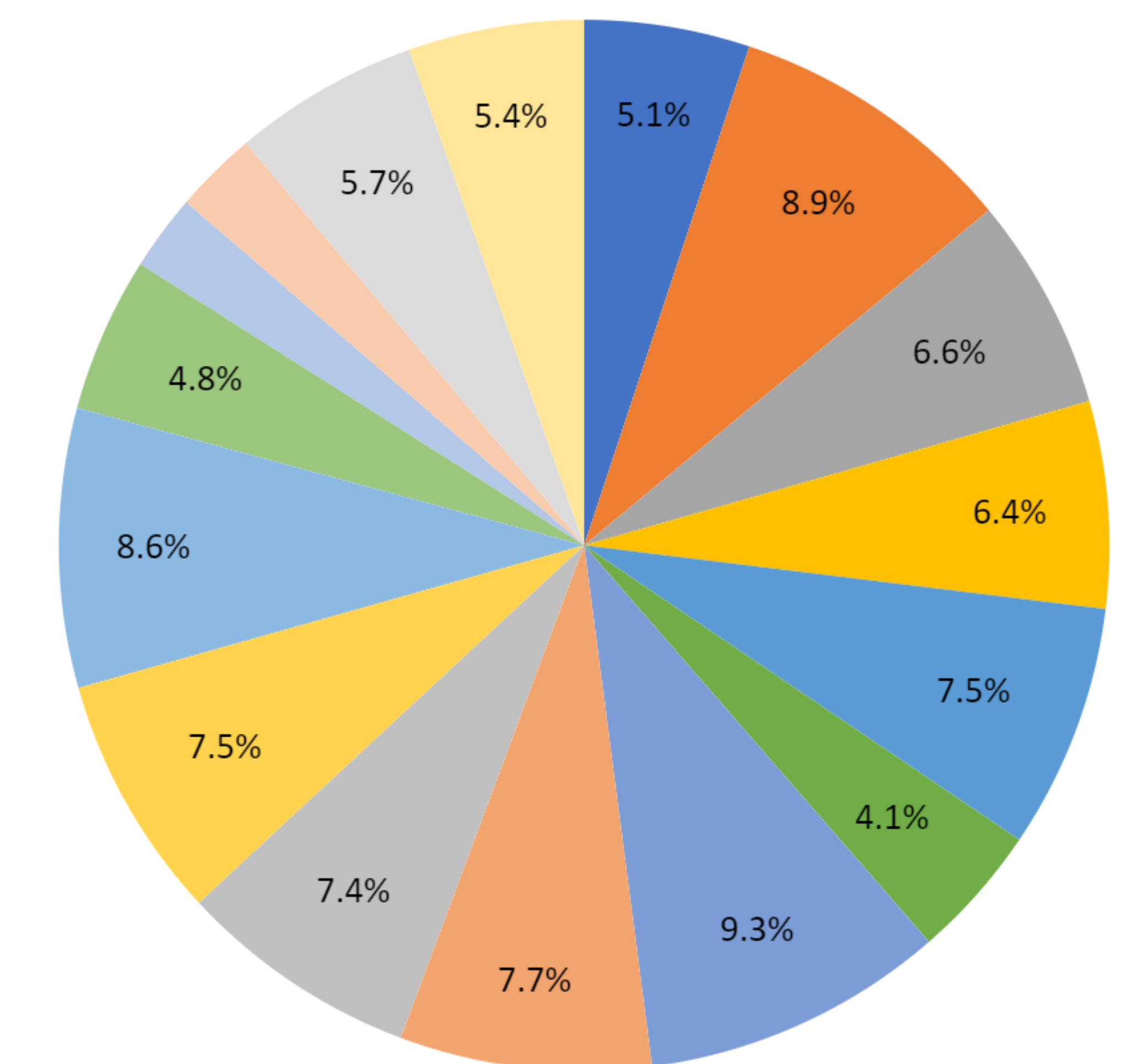


**Omega Community Garden**  
Planned to be built on Omega CDC property

Please place dots on the top 8 features you would like to see in the garden  
We appreciate your input!

Features shown on the poster board include: Flowers for Beauty, Green Infrastructure To Capture Water, Pollinator Friendly Flowers, Language Inclusive Signage, Inclusive Signage, Little Public Library, Benches, Walking Pathways, Fruit Trees in The Garden, Intergenerational Knowledge Transfer, Art/Cultural Display, Garden Fencing, Wheelchair Accessible Raised Beds, Dog Friendly Water Fountain, Community Gathering Space, and Raised Beds for Community Use.

## Prioritized Features Based on Photovoice



- Accessible raised beds
- Flowers for pollinators
- Flowers for beauty
- Pathways for walking
- Green infrastructure to capture water
- Community gathering space
- Fruit trees
- Benches for seating
- Dog friendly water fountains
- Art/Cultural displays
- Intergenerational knowledge transfer
- Language inclusive signage
- Inclusive signage
- Fence for safety
- Little library

## Current Conclusions and Next Steps

Currently, the top 3 features stakeholders are interested in are a community gathering space, raised beds, and art/cultural displays. The next steps are to conduct interviews and focus groups to further explore findings and prepare for designing the new garden and greenspace.