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“Gardening Workshops a Huge Success”

Advanced Master Gardener, Melissa Kesterson presented two gardening workshops at Larson Elementary in Harrison. The event was hosted by Larson Elementary as part of an effort to inform the community about their own school garden. Over 40 participants attended “Creating a Community Garden” and “Vegetable Gardening 101” on Saturday March 8th.

“Creating and growing local gardens benefits our communities greatly!” said Ms. Kesterson. Harrison has already seen advantages of gardening due to their school garden which includes 32 raised beds, 28 fruit trees and a strawberry octagon. This project was made possible with funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for CMDHD’s Together We Can Transform Communities Initiative. 100% of the $1,643,798 Together We Can Transform Communities Initiative fund is financed with Federal funds.

If you would like an opportunity to get involved to promote gardening in your area consider joining Together We Can. Together We Can is a community project aimed at improving health status in the central Michigan area. For more information LIKE Together We Can Health Improvement Council on Facebook, visit our website at www.together-we-can.org or email us at TogetherWeCan@cmdhd.org.

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