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East Austin kids till the soil from seedlings to success

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A group of East Austin kids tasted the fruits and vegetables of their hard labor Thursday.

The [Urban Roots youth development group](#) served a community lunch that featured farm fresh ingredients grown and prepared by its members.

The program uses sustainable agriculture training to teach young Austinites community service and leadership.

The Urban Roots farm estimates that it will harvest 40,000 pounds of produce.

The farm donates 40 percent of what it grows to local hunger relief, and sells the remaining produce at local farmers markets.

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