

Learn about nature,
like birds and butterflies.



Help clean the
air so we can all
breathe easier.

Provide shade
to keep our
neighborhoods
cool.

Lots!

What can working with lots do for us?

Grow flowers,
fruits, and
vegetables
that we can
eat or sell.

Did you know?
Worms are great
for your soil and
they can double in
population every
60 days!

Collect stormwater
to help reduce
basement flooding.

Create safer
places to meet
friends or play.

Keep our rivers
clean so we can
go fishing and eat
what we catch.

A Little about Lots

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Interested in buying a sidelot?
Call 888-DET-DEMO for
more info!

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What is Green Infrastructure?

How can I work with Lots in Detroit?

Detroit Future City

HELLO MY NAME IS A Field Guide

Green Infrastructure projects are happening in cities all over the world—now is a great time to get involved in Detroit!

The Detroit Future City (DFC) Field Guide to Working with Lots, a tool to help Detroiters with Green Infrastructure projects, will be available this Fall in print and online!

It will show and share:

- ◆ Local examples of good work that is already being done in Detroit
- ◆ Green Infrastructure lot designs you can use on your land
- ◆ Other design ideas and resources!

Pick up a free Field Guide at the Detroit Future City implementation office, located at 2990 West Grand Blvd.

Find other pick-up locations and more at DFC-lots.com!

Share the news! When others start Green Infrastructure projects tell them what you would like to see in your neighborhood.

Call 313-DFC-LOTS for more information!

Interested in working with lots?

Tell your neighbors and friends about Green Infrastructure!

What is Green Infrastructure?

Detroit is made up of systems and services like: roads, sewers, garbage removal, power lines, and the Internet. This is called infrastructure.

Green Infrastructure is when we use the land and plants in special ways to help the land absorb more water, instead of it flowing into pipes underground. This makes less work for our sewer system and keeps our water clean, which saves us money and helps Detroit become healthier, too.

There are many ways Green Infrastructure helps the land absorb more water like:

- ◆ Planting trees
- ◆ Making hills, valleys, or other shapes with the land
- ◆ Paving streets and driveways differently
- ◆

By making these changes, Green Infrastructure can:

- ◆ Help clean the air we breathe
- ◆ Keep water out of our basements
- ◆ Cool our houses in the summer
- ◆

One way is not better than another—it's whatever works best for your lot!

Look inside for more benefits!

Lots of Possibilities

Green Infrastructure creates jobs, too!



To take care of green spaces!

To grow plants from seeds!

To take care of trees!

To show off finished projects!

These are called, vermiculturists!

To study plants and animals!

Remember, all landscapes need upkeep!