# The Queensway 5 Coalition:

An Opportunity to Grow Prince George's Food Security















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Grassroots coalition - facilitated by EAT under the umbrella of REAPS







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Live Well PG

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Queensway

Community Garden



### **OUR VALUES**

#### 1. Food Production

Ex: Building gardens and orchards to increase access to local, nutritious food

#### 2. Social Justice

Ex: Ensuring inclusive access to education and garden spaces to empower individual food security

## 3. Ecological Integrity

Ex: Teaching gardening practices that respect local ecosystems and support native pollinators

## POTENTIAL PROJECT EXAMPLES

- Establishing a Food Hub for the Prince George region
- Building an agriculture education and research centre
- Supporting startup farmers with incubator plots
- Expanding the adjacent Community Garden
- Many more possibilities!

Land use for projects will be determined through an inclusive and transparent process by the Governing Body.

## **OUR PROPOSAL**

- 1. The City of Prince George buys the 5 acre parcel of farmland
- A covenant entrenches the values of food production, social justice and ecological integrity
- 1. REAPS temporarily acts as an interim custodian of the land
- 1. A **governing body** is created to maintain and manage the land over the long-term

### **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

- BC Ministry of Agriculture
- Northern Development Initiative Trust
- Real Estate Foundation of BC
- BC United Way
- Northern Health IMAGINE Community Grants
- RDFFG Grants
- Community Foundation Grants

Each partner will seek their own project funding from appropriate sources.

