

Project Selection Worksheet

Use this worksheet to determine which project(s) are the best fit for your group.

1. FILL OUT THE WORKSHEET

Answer each question below by checking the most appropriate answer.

Review the project type chart on p. 37-38

2. SELECT YOUR PROJECT

Based on your worksheet answers, the factors listed on p. 37-38, and your group's interests, determine which project type would be most feasible for your group.

GROUP PROFILE

(choose all that apply)

Volunteers Professionals

Does your group consist of volunteers or professionals? Volunteers donate their time, while professionals are paid for their labor, often under a specific contract. Professionals often carry their own insurance, licenses, and warranties, while volunteers do not.

EXPERIENCE LEVEL

(choose all that apply)

Beginners Little experience Some experience Expert

What experience levels do members of your group bring to this project? Some members may be more experienced than others, and this is a great time to assess the capabilities of your team.

MAINTENANCE (UPKEEP)

(choose one)

Low Moderate High

When determining what amount of maintenance your project will require don't just consider the project type and size, but also the time and energy each of your group members realistically has to dedicate to the project in the short and long term.

STORMWATER ABSORPTION

(choose one)

Yes No

Does your lot flood? Are there other issues with water pooling or running through the site? If so, you may need to consider a project that tackles stormwater, such as a rain garden.

BUDGET (COST)

(choose one)

\$0—500 \$500—1,000 \$1,000 +

Keep in mind that your budget should reflect all costs associated with the project, including supplies and any fees associated with hiring professionals. If possible, we recommend reserving 10% of the total project budget for unforeseen expenses - just to be safe.

SUN EXPOSURE

(choose all that apply)







Full Shade Light Shade Partial Shade Part Sun Full Sun

The level of sun exposure may be different across your lot, with adjacent buildings, trees, and the cardinal direction of the lot itself, all impacting how much sun your project receives during a given day and throughout the year. Visit your lot at different times of the day and note the real-world impact of sun on your site.

Select a Project

1. REVIEW COMMON PROJECT TYPES
 These categories are not intended to provide rigid guidelines for your project. Rather, this will help narrow down the general types of projects that may be most appropriate in your neighborhood.

2. MORE THAN ONE RIGHT ANSWER
 You may find that your site and your group interests fit more than one project type. That is fine! You can select more than one, or create a hybrid.

		Clean & Green	Naturescaping	Butterfly Garden	Rain Garden	Urban Orchard & Produce Garden	Playspace	Gathering Space	Public Art
 Suggested Team	Volunteers	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	Professionals						●	●	●
 Experience Level	Beginner	●	●			●			
	Intermediate			●	●		●	●	●
 Likely Upkeep	Low - Moderate	●	●				●		●
	Moderate - High			●	●	●		●	
 Stormwater Absorption	Good	●					●		●
	Better		●	●		●		●	
	Best				●				
 Probable Cost	\$0—500	●	●	●	●	●			●
	\$500—1,000		●	●		●	●	●	●
	\$1,000 +						●		●
 Sun Exposure	Full Shade	●					●	●	●
	Part Sun & Shade	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
	Full Sun	●	●	●	●	●	●		●