Cashew Gardens Community Council

CGCC Newsletter

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Meet The Team

Introducing our Water Quality Testers

Hi my name is Annisha Channan I live at Cashew Gardens on the hill. What influenced me to be part of the WQT team is the positive vybez of our team members. Their ideas of how they want to see the environment in the future and their future goals. After participating in our community clean up activity, we discovered a large amount of garbage on land and in our water-ways. There was also a large amount of animals dying because of pollution, this is what motivated me to take action. Our team was trained to take samples and test the quality of the water by officials from the Adopt a River program and we send to results of the samples back to WASA. The process is very interesting. I would encourage others by introducing them to our social media pages and encouraging participation in community group clean up as well as encouraging people to reduce ,reuse and recycle more often.

My name is David Bishop, I was influenced to join the team after volunteering for clean-up activities. I enjoy the work we do sometimes it's a lot of fun, sometimes not so much but I am happy to know that I am doing something productive for my Community. I will encourage others by explaining the benefits of why we need to keep our environment and rivers clean.

My name is Julia George I am a form 4 Student of the Miracle Ministry Pentecostal High School. I have been actively involved in recycling and water quality testing for the past six year and have participated in several initiatives and outreaches to promote a healthy, cleaner environment for all citizens. I am passionate about the environment, human rights issues involving women and girls and presently I represents Trinidad and Tobago on the National under 17 basketball team.

Hi my name is Rick Seepersad and I am a member of the WQT team I always saw my sister participating in different programs with the Cashew Gardens Community Recycling Program and thought it was fun so I wanted to be a part as well. The team is always trying to help others no matter what and always looking to do better for our community, if there is something you like to do don't let others demotivate you. Be encouraged and do it for the next generation.

Community Council

2021 Year in Review

2021 was a very trying year for most communities and Cashew Gardens was no exception. We lost, we gained and we grew, not necessarily in that order. Following are a couple pictures from different hamper distributions that was given to the community by various bodies to assist during the pandemic. We say a special thank you to all who assisted.

Climate Smart Garden

We're Climate Smart Now

In 2021 we converted our community garden from a hydroponic to a drip to waste system but with no waste. Our first sets of produce were Lettuce, Patchoi and Kale with Bandania being the floor crop to absorb the drip waste. We have decided since this time to invest in kale as our major crop as the demand is greater. We also have pimento's and other seasoning and long term crops around the Green house which when harvested is given to community members and composters as incentive to continue with the program. In our next issue we will feature some of our happy customers and recipients.

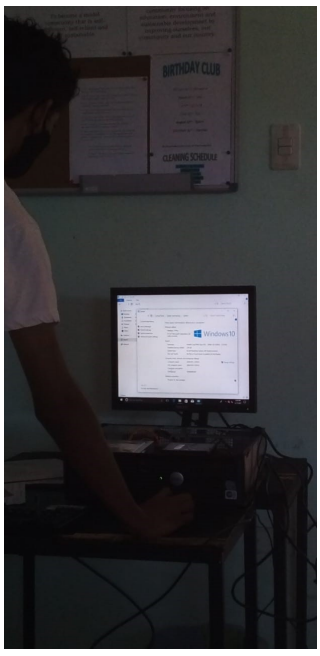
Composting

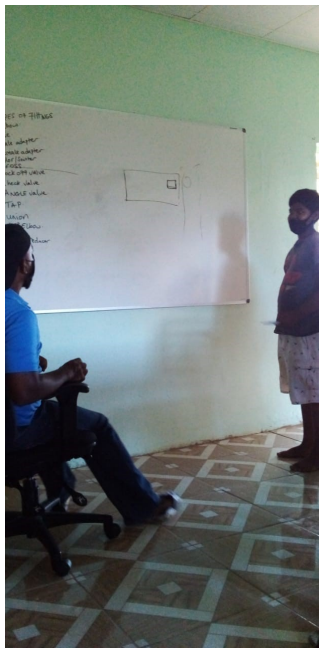
The hard work continues

While working towards a circular economy the CGCC team continue to strive in our composting activities with more and more community members getting involved. If you are not already composting its not to late to start, just separate your kitchen waste, contact one of our members and we will collect it from you. Composting prevents methane gasses from getting into the landfill, it also converts your kitchen waste into Black Gold which can then be used as fertilizer for your plants. Don't let it reach the landfill.

Homework & Activity Center

Even with the present restrictions CGCC still find ways to keep the youths in the community engaged. Our courses in IT fundamentals which includes Soft ware installations, PC maintenance and repairs is a big hit with both boys and girls. Basic plumbing is also included in the training.





Events

Carlsen Field Mother Temple Recycles

Introducing one of our star recyclers an intelligent young man that cares for his environmental and his future. Now he encourages his friends and family to play their role in saving the environment.

“Hi I’m Immanuel Bissoo, I’m 9 years of age and I live in Carlsen Field where I host a Recycling Bin at my family's residence. I was first introduced to Recycling from CGCRP approximately one year ago, since then I’ve learnt the importance of Recycling and Waste Management”.

Become a volunteer be part of a solution not the problem. Message the CGCRP Face Book page for more information.

Congratulations

To the following winners from the November Issue

On the test your knowledge

QUIZ

- Amy Raphael
- Ravina Loach
- Dane Ramdass
- Anjali Seepersad
- Darion Ramdass
- Karena Seepersad
- Abigail Renaud
- Alejandro Harripersad
- Nicholas Nanan
- Geneva Roberts
- Karishma Seepersad
- Ryan Bhagwandeen

Special Recognition

First entrance : Amy Raphael

Youngest Participant : Darion Ramdass

Most correct answers : Karishma Seepersad and Ryan Bhagwandeen

Congratulations

Amy Rapheal

Alejandro Harripersad

Abigail Renaud

Dane Ramdass

Karishma Seepersad

Karena Seepersad

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CGCRP Team Members

Introducing Our Tik Tok page

WQT

TikTok https://vm.tiktok.com/ZML6vecUP/

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

What are the Sustainable Development Goals?

"The Sustainable Development Goals (SGDs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by all United Nations Member State in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. The 17 SDGs are integrated-that is, they recognize the action in one area will affect out-comes in others, and that development must balance social, economic and environmental sustainability.

Achieving the SDGs require the partnership of governments, private sector, civil society and citizens alike to make sure we leave a better planet for future generations."

Trinidad and Tobago is one of the country that is signatory to the Sustainable Development Goals. In support of the country's effort to achieving the SDG's, the Cashew Gardens Community has embarked on several projects that focuses on six of these goals:

1 NO POVERTY

Community Garden

End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

2 ZERO HUNGER

Community Garden

End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Play Park

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

Home Work Center

Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

Water Quality Testing

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.

13 CLIMATE ACTION

Climate Smart Garden & Compost Project

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

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