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A young volunteer spreads soil in the raised accessible beds at the community garden.

Last Saturday, volunteers from a number of organizations prepared the community garden for the users who will follow. Thanks to them and the many organizations, companies and individuals who donated time, materials and labor, people of all abilities will be able to garden this year even if they don’t have a plot at home.

The project was featured in Monday’s Herald Journal.

The Assistive Technology Lab at the Center for Persons with Disabilities has also contributed expertise, materials and gardening tools adapted to people of different abilities. The garden features raised accessible beds to help bring gardening to people who use wheelchairs and scooters.

The garden, located at 725 S. 50 East in Hyde Park, has received support from the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, USU Extension, The Utah Conservation Corps, Keller-Bliesner Irrigation, Cache County Master Gardeners, Cache Community Connections, and many other companies and individuals who donated to the project.