



# GARDEN HIGHLIGHT

VIP Village Preschool

Imperial Beach School District

This garden is designed with preschool learning and foundations in mind. Instead of several raised beds for the classes, as was the case when the garden started, it now has **one large shared raised bed, a digging area, a vine-covered hiding teepee**, and activity tables with rotating activities for kids. The garden coordinator, who is a part time teacher there and who has mostly been able to be paid for the position, schedules garden time with teachers, and each class uses one recess period per week to learn in the garden. The communal design prevents stress on the coordinator due to fallow beds, and puts less pressure on teachers to maintain their bed.

Adapted from "Plant Good People and Cultivate Relationships" by Diana Bergman.