

1- State of urban agriculture:

- What do you know about urban agriculture in Montreal?
- What type of urban agriculture do you practice?
- Which urban agriculture project do you participate in or know most about?
- I know mostly about Action Communitaire, a network of collective gardens in NDG, although I know of some other farms & gardens in Montreal, I participate in a collective garden in NDG.

2: Opinion on the importance of urban agriculture in Montreal :

- Pourquoi l'agriculture urbaine à Montréal est importante à vos yeux?
- In your view, why is urban agriculture important for Montreal?
- What is pertinent about urban agriculture in Montreal?
- How does urban agriculture improve the city of Montreal?
- How does urban agriculture improve the quality of life in your neighborhood?
- Pourquoi l'agriculture urbaine peut-elle s'allier avec le développement de la Ville de Montréal?
- Why should urban agriculture link with the city of Montreal's development plans?
- It empowers people to grow food for themselves and others, connects people with the values of the natural world and creates community connections as well. People work together in collective gardens and ~~communities~~, can overcome social isolation, taking care of plants can also be therapeutic. People can learn and teach about gardening in collective gardens.

3- Problems and barriers :

- What are the problems/barriers that you have encountered with your urban agriculture projects?
- What are the present obstacles for further developing urban agriculture in Montreal?
- What are the biggest barriers with regards to your urban agriculture projects?
- Access to seeds, seedlings, tools, land (lack of access), time constraints (people don't necessarily have much time to volunteer), the lack of economic competitiveness (it can be cheaper to buy in the supermarket than to grow locally), people don't think of the city as a place to grow food. This is not a priority and many find aspects of it to be a nuisance.

4- Recommendations, suggestions and commentaries :

- What changes do you think would allow for better development of urban agriculture?
- Quelles sont vos suggestions à la Ville de Montréal pour favoriser le développement de l'agriculture urbaine?
- What are your suggestions to the city of Montreal to encourage the development of urban agriculture?
- Do you have concrete solutions for the problems mentioned in the section above?
- Political + financial support in getting aside land for collective gardens + other urban agriculture projects, requiring new buildings to have rooftop gardens
- urban composting program to pick up household waste and get turning to urban gardens
- support for an infrastructure of urban agriculture that could be used by community orgs
- support for education programs on gardening, including public education programs
- converting some municipal land from grass to vegetable gardens