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Union City to Build Community Orchard

UNION CITY, GA — The City's office of Community Development has partnered with the Atlanta Regional Commission and Atlanta Local Food Initiative to build a community orchard for City residents. As a continued effort to address food security and nutrition education, the orchard is envisioned to provide intergenerational opportunities to encourage a healthier urban environment. It will be located on the north side of the Etris Community Center building.

Goals for the community orchard:

- Stimulate social interaction of City residents and surrounding neighborhoods
- Educate community members on sustainability and healthy eating
- Give back to the community by providing fresh fruit once harvested

The official "Kick-Off" event for the community orchard will be held at the Etris Community Center (5285 Lakeside Drive, Union City, GA 30291) on Thursday, March 28, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. City residents and surrounding communities wanting more information about the orchard and the community garden initiative are encouraged to attend this free event.

Special thanks are extended to community partners Atlanta Regional Commission, Atlanta Local Food Initiative and Waffle House. Additional thanks to City residents along with Union City's Parks & Recreation Division and Police Department.

For learn more about the Union City Community Orchard, contact Community Development at development@unioncityga.org.

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