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East Feast is a new coalition engaged with promoting food security and local healthy food through urban agriculture, food forest, community gardens.

Vista became introduced to the group through a food desert workshop and with my interest in permaculture, began to work with them on the illustrations and master planning in conjunction with permaculture practitioners. Vista Planning & Design is now a part of the Core Planning Team. Through grant money, East Feast conducted a design workshop to introduce the project to stakeholders, describe permaculture and food forest philosophy, and conduct exercises in edible food guilds and broader programming for community building. The project is with great support of the neighboring community garden and our strategy includes much regarding shared resources between the groups.

The current phased master plan include programming for a whole community experience including a large symbolic spiral that will take on many forms and constructed collectively by the community over time. The spiral was seeded with winter rye as a harbinger of a Spring ground breaking and free food to come.

East Feast 2022

Festival Beach Food Forest Master Plan

Client: East Feast 2022



The Community Spiral:
The spiral is a central organizing metaphor for our community, our message of free, local, healthy food, spiraling outward to embrace our whole community. Spread outward to touch our neighbors. Even spiraling outward to spark new initiatives of food security and strengthening community bonds.
The spiral will take on many forms from archways and gateways to seat walls and patterns on the ground. Different sections will have different characters as differing ideas or groups dedicate themselves and their stories to the spiral sections.

Rainwater Harvesting:
Four cisterns are located around the spiral for storing rainwater. When the PBJ redevelopment occurs, it is our sincere hope that this project will benefit from rainwater capture from PBJ roof surfaces. The spiral in this section will have a continuous aqueduct that will fill all four cisterns in the rainy season to be used for irrigation throughout the year.

The Community Garden Shed:
Our community envisions a multi-purposed structure that will be located on the boundary between the existing Festival Beach Community Garden and the Food Forest. The building will be symbolic in that we are reaching out to the community garden with a new facility for our shared use. We share our resources, we share our water. We are neighbors, brothers and sisters in celebrating the bounty of the earth.

Light & Shade:
A variety of micro-climates are necessary including varying amounts of sunlight that reaches into a garden. The 1st phase will be planted with many trees and being young trees, there will be plenty of light allowing for sun-loving plants to thrive. As time passes and trees grow providing more shade, the sun-loving plants will migrate or transplant to later phases toward the PBJ redevelopment.

