



Colonial Gardens Announces Approval of Master Plan by City of Blue Springs

Approval of the Master Plan for Colonial Gardens allows DCA to revitalize the historic nursery while bringing agritourism to Blue Springs.

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Kansas City, Mo. (December 13, 2016) Colonial Gardens proudly announces approval of its master plan and construction permits by the City of Blue Springs.

The master plan outlines several improvements and construction phases for Colonial Gardens, which covers approximately 40 acres in Blue Springs, aimed at growing the current nursery and garden center into an agritourism destination. Improvements include:

- Building a café designed to serve fresh, local fare
- Creating an open-air space for hosting special events and regular farmer markets
- Building retail and event structures for shopping and educational opportunities
- Constructing a nature trail around the existing pond
- Planting a mixed-fruit orchard to allow visitors to pick their own fruit
- And more

“The mission of Colonial Gardens is to cultivate the future of community agriculture starting right here in Blue Springs,” said Tory Schwope, CEO and founder of DCA Outdoor. “With the approval of the master plan, we are excited to begin work on transforming this long-standing nursery into a modern, innovative garden center and agritourism destination unlike anything else found in the area.”

The plan was approved by the Blue Springs City Council on Dec. 8. The first phase, which will begin soon, includes a re-imagined retail and nursery center and addition of the Bean Counter Café. View a video of the project renderings [here](#).

To learn more about Colonial Gardens and DCA Outdoor, visit www.colonialgardenskc.com and www.dcaoutdoor.com.

About Colonial Gardens

Formerly Colonial Nursery, founded in 1969, Colonial Gardens is on the leading edge of revolutionizing community agriculture at its core. Colonial Gardens is currently undergoing renovations to become a national leader in the nursery retail and agritourism industry. Its garden center, nursery products, hardscape products, café, coffee shop, and plans for the future will make it a community based destination for all of Kansas City and surrounding areas. Colonial Gardens is a subsidiary of the parent company DCA Outdoor, founded in 2016 by Tory Schwope. DCA Outdoor is a family of green industry brands that provides unparalleled production and vertical integration.

About DCA Outdoor

DCA Outdoor was founded in 2016 by Tory Schwope. With a mission to create a family of green industry companies that provide unparalleled production and vertical integration, DCA Outdoor serves as the parent company for a family of brands, including Anna Evergreen, Brehob Nurseries, Colonial Gardens, KAT Wholesale Outdoor, PlantRight, Schwope Brothers Tree Farms, Utopian Plants and Utopian Transport. Focused on integrating nursery stock production with distribution, transportation, and sales and marketing, DCA Outdoor creates a more efficient and sustainable operation positioned for long-term success. Visit DCA Outdoor at www.dcaoutdoor.com.