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Smiles abound during the Saturday morning event!



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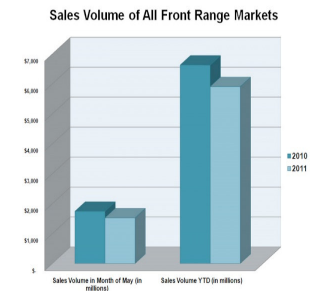
The plant-by-number system made it easy to identify all the varieties in the boxes.

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Garden Student Council members oversee the garden work.

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Imagine what the flowerbeds will look like in a few weeks!

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# Planting in the Park Follow-up (<http://8z.com/articles/planting-in-the-park-follow-up>)

By David Lorraine, 8z Broker

On Saturday, May 14th, 2011 we replanted the flower bed in Martin Park by the pavilion. With much help from the City Parks and Rec department, Creekside Elementary's Garden to Table Council, and neighborhood volunteers the planting was a success!

The flower bed had some nice plants in it but was being taken over by crabgrass and weeds. We decided hat since there was so much to remove it would be best to start with a blank canvas. The Korean Lilac that has graced the center of the garden for many years now would remain in place.

Prior to the 14th the City Parks and Rec department brought in a back-hoe and removed a foot or two off of the bed. Then they filled it in with dirt and ran an irrigation hose that we would later attach a drip line system to.

We then covered the dirt with 20 bags of premium organic top soil and steer manure.



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## Martin Acres (<http://8z.com/neighborhoods/martin-acres>)

Neighbors connectedly interact with one another to ensure area safety, lend a helping hand and foster a sense of belonging. Angular road design shields homes from busy through traffic, cultivating a tranquil environment, featuring Martin Park and Bear Creek.

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8z Martin Acres Broker



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The flower beds were planted with two of the Gardens in a Box that are offered by the Center for ReSource Conservation. The plants are water friendly in our Colorado climate so the garden is considered to be xeriscaped. (Click [here \(http://conservationcenter.org/water-home/garden-in-a-box-sale/\)](http://conservationcenter.org/water-home/garden-in-a-box-sale/) to visit the Garden-in-a-Box site.)

The Sunset and Cool Connections gardens took up less space than anticipated so we will be planting the Garden of Gold, as well. In the autumn we will plant bulbs in between the perennials.

Since we were combining two gardens it took a bit of thought. I decided to cut pieces of paper to size and lay them down in the garden to be sure they all fit.

At 9:00am we began to dig holes in place of the paper and set the corresponding plant nearby. The Garden to Table kids showed up around 10:00am. Those kids got right to work! Removing the plants from the 4" plastic pot that they came in, placing the plant in the hole, and carefully packing them in with soil.

(Here's a link to an article the Daily Camera did on the Garden to Table program: [Boulder Valley's outdoor classrooms \(http://www.dailycamera.com/boulder-county-news/ci\\_17788113\)](http://www.dailycamera.com/boulder-county-news/ci_17788113))

Attaching the drip line connections to the hose turned out to be a ton of work but we were able to get it done just in time. After completing the irrigation we spread the mulch and covered the garden to hold in moisture and keep the weeds down.

It was amazing because around 1pm when we finished the air filled with moisture and a light mist began to fall. What perfect timing! It was a kind and gentle welcoming of the plant's new-found freedom. It's rained for nearly a week straight.

(Our running album on Facebook is keeping tabs on the flowers' growth, [Martin Park Flower Bed Progress \(http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.185024994878591.47816.153010101413414\)](http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.185024994878591.47816.153010101413414).)

The funding for the project was provided by the City Parks and Rec department, a Beautification Council within the City, 8z Real Estate, the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association and the Center for ReSource Conservation.

*Check out this past article that shows pictures from before planting: [The Blooming Acres \(/articles/the-blooming-acres-planting-in-the-park\)](http://articles/the-blooming-acres-planting-in-the-park)*

*And please read this [article \(/articles/the-first-sakura-day\)](http://articles/the-first-sakura-day) on the 28 Sakura Cherry trees that were planting on Boulder's first official Sakura day. April 30th, 2011.*

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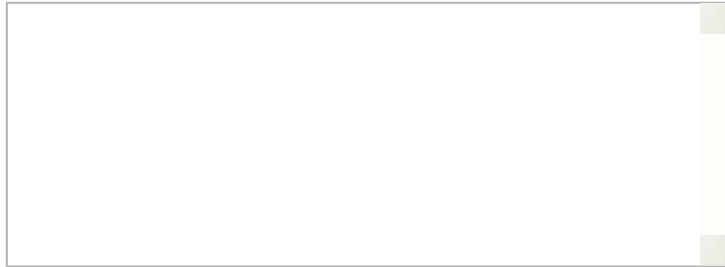
David loves Martin Acres for its history, its spirit and its residents.

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