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He helps gardeners find food bank for their bounty

Gary Oppenheimer hates waste.

And he loves gardening.

How all this turned into a nationwide effort to fight hunger is a fable for our time.

It was a few years ago. Someone with Oppenheimer's community garden was lamenting all the unharvested food at the end of the season.

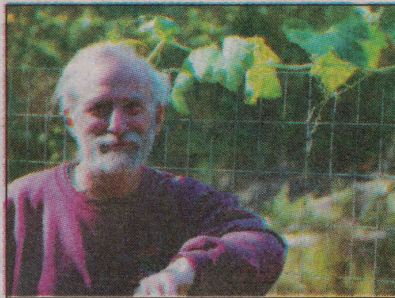
"If we're going to have an ample harvest, the least



Sandy Bauers

GreenSpace

we can do is donate it to people in the community who need it," said Oppenheimer, who lives in North



Gary Oppenheimer, who hates waste, founded AmpleHarvest.org.

Jersey's Passaic County.

So, naturally, he took on the task of finding a food pantry. No luck. It dawned on him that if he couldn't find food pantries, neither could

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