

CGCC NEWSLETTER



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Meet The Team

Introducing our Driver and Loader



Project Driver

Introducing Kadejah Ramdhanie.

An enthuse for saving mother Earth and its inhabitants. Practitioner of daily recycling habits and educator to the much oblivious. When I'm not working, I'm out exploring the wondrous beauty God has provided for us. It is my firm belief, that we, must take care of what takes care of us.



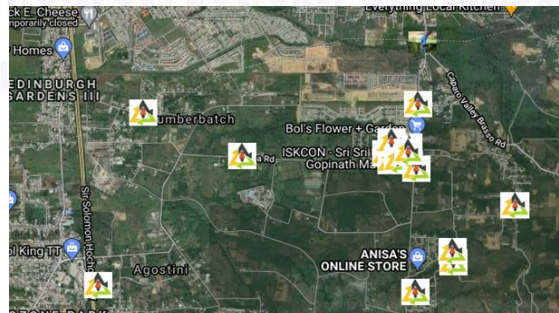
Project Loader

Introducing Ria Seepersad.

A determined passionate and hardworking member of the CGCRP, Ria is extremely committed in creating a sustainable future by improving the social, economic and environmental well being of our community to encourage a Zero Waste Economy.

Next issue we introduce two (2) of our four (4) water testers

#DoltForTheNextGeneration



CGCRP BIN LOCATON
<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/1/edit?mid=14ychrVnPaaw4B68y5IEnpegWl9251Md&ll=10.488038557201076%2C-61.395461918554695&z=14>

You Have Recyclable? You Sort We Pick Up

Cashew Gardens Recycling Programme
Powered By **CGC**

is making recycling easy for you

All recyclable can be places in the same bag for collection. Place Filled bag into our recycle bins provided. Our truck will be in your area for collection. Now Plastics, Cans, Glass and Tetra packs can be safely collected and RECYCLED.

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Community Council

HOW WE GOT STARTED

The Cashew Gardens Community Council (CGCC) is an administrative community body of homeowners living in the developed Greenfield site that then CEO. Dr. Allen Sammy named “Cashew Gardens” after seeing the proliferation of cashew trees on the site that was developed by the Land Settlement Agency in 2000.

The LSA surveyed the lots, installed water and electricity, and constructed all-weather gravel roads and earthen drains.

The LSA encouraged successful land applicants to build a home for their families in keeping with their income and develop it over time as their situation improved. The gravel roads deteriorated badly over a short time and drains were quickly clogged with stagnant water posing health and other problems. The residents felt that although their immediate housing needs were met, the community on the whole was deteriorating, thus birthed the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, to lobby on the communities behalf. The community council has adopted a holistic approach to community development and organized residents to lobby local government and utilities companies for improved conditions.

The first major project the group engaged in was lobbying for the installation of street lamps in the community. This was done through the National Social Development Program (NSDP)’s street lighting project, This first initiative was quite successful and motivated the members to negotiate for other assistance.





Climate Smart Garden

Grow Box To Climate Smart How it got Started

The residents of Cashew Gardens took advantage of the training programs conducted by the Ministry of Community Development to persons in various communities. Grow Box Cultivation was one such course that was quite successful in our community resulting in fifteen (15) residents graduating with certification in 2011. Their achievement was the incentive that was needed by the council to engage in an agriculture project where the certified residents could apply their knowledge to earn additional income. The enthusiasm of the women encouraged the Council to utilize a vacant lot in the community and the Cashew Gardens Community Garden was constructed. Part of the income generated from sale of crops at the garden paid the workers and part was reinvested into the community for further development projects.



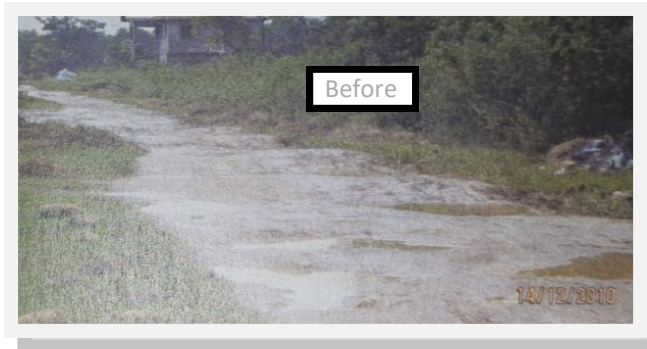
Homework & Activity Center

The Cashew Gardens Community Council in collaboration with Habitat for Humanity wrote a proposal to the Telecommunications Authority of Trinidad and Tobago (TATT), who were at that time interested in providing technological access to rural communities. In yet another success story The Council was awarded, five computers, a printer and free internet access for one year for the community's use. The challenge in this however was that the Cashew Gardens Community did not have a community center and was at time conducting meeting at a residents home. As a result, the residents took the decision at a community meeting to construct one (1) 20X20 room so that these computers could be utilized. Not having any material for construction, CGCC sent out letters to corporate citizens asking for donations and the skilled men and women in the community volunteered their services to construct the building free of charge. After just three months the building was over 75% completed. Habitat for Humanity assisted with providing some foundation material and National Social Development Program (NSDP) assisted with the electricity and water instillation . The center has now expanded to (2) two rooms.



Events

Remember When



Test your knowledge

And win one of our great token!

- 1) In what year was the roads in the community paved?
- 2) How many persons were trained in grow box cultivation?
- 3) What is the present size of the home Work & Activity Center?
- 4) What is the name of Cashew Gardens Community Play Park?
- 5) How many Water Quality Testers service CGCRP?
- 6) How many bins are located in the Cashew Gardens Community?
- 7) What is the Cashew Gardens Community Recycling Programme Truck number?
- 8) Name the longest sitting President of the Cashew Gardens Community Council?
- 9) Name the first chairman of the Land Settlement Agency?
- 10) Name two recyclable material we collect?

Answers : Click link attached



Rule: Persons with the most correct answer will qualify for a prize.

Prize distribution: Prizes will be distributed in February 2022.

Pictures will be taken for the next issue of the magazine.



What are the Sustainable Development Goals?

“The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by all United Nations Member State in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. The 17 SDGs are integrated-that is, they recognize the action in one area will affect out-comes in others, and that development must balance social, economic and environmental sustainability.

Achieving the SDGs require the partnership of governments, private sector, civil society and citizens alike to make sure we leave a better planet for future generations.”

Trinidad and Tobago is one of the country that is signatory to the Sustainable Development Goals. In support of the country’s effort to achieving the SDG’s, the Cashew Gardens Community has embarked on several projects that focuses on six of these goals:

1 NO POVERTY



Community Garden

End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

2 ZERO HUNGER



Community Garden

End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



Play Park

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION



Home Work Center

Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



Water Quality Testing

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.

13 CLIMATE ACTION






Climate Smart Garden

& Compost Project

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

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