# **Activity 2**

# Catholic Earthcare Caritas Australia

# Planting seeds of hope

# Step 1. Determine where you can plant seeds (or seedlings)

#### Some ideas:

- Rejuvenate an old garden bed or build a new one.
- Start a community herb garden.
- Create an indigenous garden and prayer space.
- Restore an unused green space.
- Restore sand dunes or riverbeds.
- Consider if you are planting for food or pollination.

## Step 2. Harvest seeds from other plants or purchase new seeds (or seedlings)

#### Some ideas:

- Consider where you could collect seeds instead of buying seeds.
- Consider the time of year and your climate in addition to where you are planting when choosing your seeds.
- Are there native/indigenous (local to your areas) plant species you could plant?
- Are there any local programs that can assist you to purchase seeds or could you ask your parish community for donations?
- If planting for pollination, use the B&B Highway guides for your climate: <a href="https://hot/arid">hot/arid</a>, <a href="warm/humid">warm/humid</a>, <a href="https://humid.com/oriented-to-state-10">cool or temperate</a>.

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## Step 3. Plant seeds of hope!

## Tips:

- Ensure the soil is good quality or boost the soil quality first.
- Ensure you have all the equipment and seeds ready to go.
- Enjoy!

# Step 4. Care for your seeds.

## Tips:

- Learn how to care for the seeds and plants once established.
- Have a roster to help water the plants.
- Share with others, the beauty (or produce) your plants provide.



