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Councilwoman Connie Kepert and the Gordon Heights community gathered at the Harrison Hale Community Educational and Resource Center's Community Garden on Granny Road to celebrate the garden's abundant harvest. The garden was funded by the New York State Department of Health grant from the Healthy Heart Program awarded to the Nutrition Division at the Department of Family Medicine at Stony Brook.

While at the community garden in Gordon Heights, the Councilwoman stated, "My office has been helping to create community gardens all over the 4th District. Bishop Hale has turned his garden into an opportunity to educate the community on how to eat, and stay healthy. Great work!"

Bishop Hale, who reached out to Councilwoman Kepert with the idea to build the garden, noted that she was instrumental in securing him the grant. He also said, "The community garden was established to bring unity within our community along with health and well being to those interested in the art of gardening. The word community is made up of two work; Commune and Unity, and that is the goal of the garden."