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# CREW'S NEWS

Spring 2026  
Super Saver  
Ages 2-10

## The Garden Surprise!

Warm spring breezes rustled the trees as Nick, Penny, Bev, Daniel, Jem, Brian, and Marie walked past the empty lot near their neighborhood. Bright green grass was starting to grow, and birds chirped overhead. "This would be a perfect place for a community garden," Marie said.

"But it's so empty," Brian added. "We'd need soil, seeds, and tools." Nick grinned. "Why don't we make it happen?" The Crew loved the idea, but there was one problem, they needed money for supplies. Each friend had brought \$5, so together they had:

$\$5$  (money each has)  $\times$   $7$  (friends) =  $\$$ \_\_\_\_\_ (dollars total)

Daniel checked the supply list. "The garden supplies will cost \$40." "Let's see how much more we need," Penny said:  $\$40$  (total needed) -  $\$$ \_\_\_\_\_ (total we have) =  $\$$ \_\_\_\_\_ (dollars more needed)

Just then, they noticed a sign at the park entrance: "Spring Clean-Up Day! Earn \$4 per bag of leaves and \$6 per planted tree." "That's perfect!" Jem said. "We can help the park and earn money!"

The Crew got to work raking leaves and planting young trees. By the end of the afternoon, they had earned:

$\$4$  (per leaf bag)  $\times$   $6$  =  $\$$ \_\_\_\_\_

$\$6$  (per tree planted)  $\times$   $3$  =  $\$$ \_\_\_\_\_

Together, they earned:

$\$24 + \$18 = \$$ \_\_\_\_\_

They added the earnings to their savings:

$\$35 + \$42 = \$$ \_\_\_\_\_ total

"We did it!" Bev cheered. The friends bought soil, seeds, and tools, then spent the rest of the day planting vegetables and flowers. By sunset, the empty lot had become a beautiful community garden. As they washed their hands and headed home, Marie smiled. "Spring really is the season for growing, plants and teamwork." The Crew saved their leftover money for their next adventure.

### Youth Financial Literacy!

Open a Super Saver Youth Certificate for your young one this spring, and they can earn 5.00% APY while blossoming with valuable money skills!



# Plant Your Seeds!

Plant your garden & bring it to any Gateway Metro Federal branch by May 30th, 2026 to get \$5 deposited into your savings account and pick a prize from our treasure chest! Child must be present to receive incentive.

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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Plant your own community garden! Draw and color in all the plants you want in your garden.

