

## Springbrook Park Update

Neighbors and volunteers from Hands on Atlanta moved several loads of tree mulch on MLK Day this January. The purpose is to reduce the mowing and blowing at the park, reduce runoff and be ready in case of a drought. We have needs for more cardboard to place underneath the mulch in order to finish this project. Please put broken down boxes next to the driveway.

Also, the wooden garden boxes at the park have rotted due to fire ants. We will be replacing them with concrete blocks that will create beds with somewhat higher sides and definitely will be longer lasting. The design will look a bit like a labyrinth and should provide fun for adults and kids alike. The plots will have irrigation, and we use mushroom compost which makes veggies grow well. Some plots will be designated for anyone to harvest (e.g., strawberries and blueberries). For a small fee, individual gardeners can join the community garden group and claim a space of their own. We will hire some help to maintain the beds over the summer months. Please let gardener friends know about this opportunity. For more info, call Barbara at 404-580-0269.