

## **ECKERT'S GREENHOUSE**

Eckert's Greenhouse, located at 34051 Ryan Road, for its volunteer efforts and donations to Sterling Heights community. The contributions have taken many forms, including, but not limited to:

\*Donation of flats of flowers and a popcorn bush for the Children's Art Garden, located outside of the Sterling Heights Public Library, allowing this new community gathering space to retain its' beauty;

\*Donation of the flower planter displayed around the clock tower at the Sterlingfest Art & Music Fair during the city's 40th anniversary year;

\*Donation of centerpieces for the quarterly Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan luncheon, hosted by the Sterling Heights Beautification Commission. Mr. Karl Eckert also volunteered his time to serve as guest speaker at the luncheon;

\*Partnering with Forgotten Harvest to operate the Seed to Feed program for the past three years. Eckert's provides free seeds to customers who pledge to bring back some vegetables or fruit that are harvested to feed the hungry;

\*Eckert's employee Sue Hobig volunteers her time at the Sterling Heights Nature Center, talking to residents about plantings and butterfly gardening. Ms. Hobig also assists with the Nature Center's Go Green classes, which educates children about trees, worm composting and butterflies.