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June 2024 Newsletter

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Notes From the Field



Hi folks!

We are feeling the heat of summer in ways both good and bad! We are preparing our bodies and minds and the Farm for a very hot week next week. We are also excited to see peas and zucchini coming in - and with the heat, cucumbers and high tunnel tomatoes will not be too far behind! It is great to have a larger team during the height of summer so that we can pace ourselves and take turns going on vacation.

We are now in our third week of CSA and it has been going very well! Boxes have been full of delicious greens, herbs, roots, scallions, peas, and garlic scapes. Our Mobile Market customers were eager for our return and are enjoying a bounty of produce as well. We have figured out a schedule to consistently donate to the pantry twice per week as well. It feels great to be interacting with community members who are very appreciative of the work that we do!

We are also trying to make the most of the time we have with a larger team. So Sasha and I are sneaking in some fall planning and discussing new and exciting ideas that we will share with you soon. Stay tuned!

Avery, Farm Manager

Volunteers Needed: On-Farm Sessions

Summer is here! Which mean it's our very busy harvest season and we can use extra hands. There are so many tasks to complete in the coming months, so please sign up when you can.



We will be planting, weeding, and doing other farm tasks. Sign-up for [June or July sessions here](#).

And if you'd like to bring a group with you to volunteer, please visit the 'Volunteer Group' section of our website [here](#) and submit a request form.

We'll see you at the Farm!

Meet Our New Interns: Bridget Niemeyer



Bridget (she/her) is a recent graduate from Brandeis University with a degree in Environmental Studies. Growing up in a rural area surrounded by local farms, she worked at a small stand for several months and is incredibly excited to work on a larger farm doing such amazing work. She hopes to learn how to farm sustainably and be in touch with the land. In her free time, she loves drawing and laying in the sun with her dog.

Welcome to NCF Bridget!

Scenes from the Seedling Sale

Our Annual Seedling Sale last month was once again a successful and fun day! We always enjoy connecting with community members and sharing our farming and gardening knowledge.

We also want to give a special **thank you** to the many Needham High School volunteers who came out to help with all aspects of the Sale. Their support and enthusiasm was greatly appreciated!



Busy sale day



Needham High School volunteers



NCF Board member Lori Whyte with Needham Select Board members Marianne Cooley and Kevin Keene

Next Stop: Hollywood!



NCF Community Garden Bed member Jan Holmquist was featured recently on WBZ News Boston about her incredible running prowess and age-defying drive!

Take a peek at her segment which also includes our Community Garden Beds. Congrats Jan!

[Watch Now!](#)

It's here! Our New eVan



Last last summer, Needham Community Farm was the recipient of the Commonwealth's Food Security Infrastructure Grant (FSIG) Program. The grant awarded was to be used for the purchase of a new electric transport van.

After a long wait, we are thrilled to finally be in the drivers seat of our new Ford eTransit Cargo van. This eco-friendly van will replace our gas-powered version, ensuring a cleaner and more efficient delivery for our CSA, Mobile Market, and more!

Community Events

Suit Case Stories presented by Needham Community Council and Needham and the Needham Area Immigration Justice Task Force



On World Refugee Day, come out and listen to Needham residents share inspiring stories of refugee and immigrant life. Storytelling is a great way to honor diverse voices in our community. [More details here.](#)

Date + Time: Thursday, Jun 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Location: Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center, 21 Wellesley College Rd, Wellesley, MA, 02481

Farm View



Seedlings under our makeshift, mini high tunnel



The Farm on a warm June afternoon

Donations always accepted!

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