

2010 Another Year to Remember

2010 Highlights

- 72+ families were given new gardens
- 48 families received continued support in their second year of the program
- Established three community gardens, three school gardens, one hospital garden, and one group home garden
- Introduced 19 new families to our Adult Education and Nutrition Workshops and 22 children to our After-School Nutrition Education Workshops
- Introduced Canning & Preserving Workshops in partnership with Central MA Agway
- Received our first Federal Grant, the Compassion Capital Fund, in partnership with the Institute for Nonprofit Development at Mount Wachusett Community College
- Rebranded our organization and introduced a new communication platform. Visit our website for samples: www.growingplaces.org
- Received the 2010 Massachusetts Nonprofit Network Excellence Award in Nonprofit Collaboration and the 2010 Wachusett Chamber of Commerce Environmental Award



Dear Friends,

In our mission to improve the food security and nutrition education of people in need, 2010 was a year of success and growth for Growing Places Garden Project.

We recognized early on in the year that the complex issues facing communities we serve cannot be solved alone and we secured federal funding to develop a Community Partnership Program. The program is designed to help us enhance our visibility within the community, build a united coalition of like-minded organizations, and access a greater number of clients in need of our services. By taking a leadership role in combating important hunger, health, and nutrition education issues we will provide:

- access to fresh, healthy produce and the support our clients need to become successful gardeners
- nutritional education and school and community gardens to our service area
- outreach and support that inspires others to replicate our programs and services so that our impact extends beyond our service area

We have witnessed a great spirit of collaboration and enthusiasm among all of our supporters who share our passion to help families to be more self sufficient, more economically sound, and healthier.

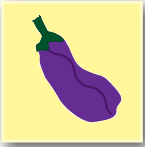
Thank you for your support and best wishes to you and your family this holiday season!

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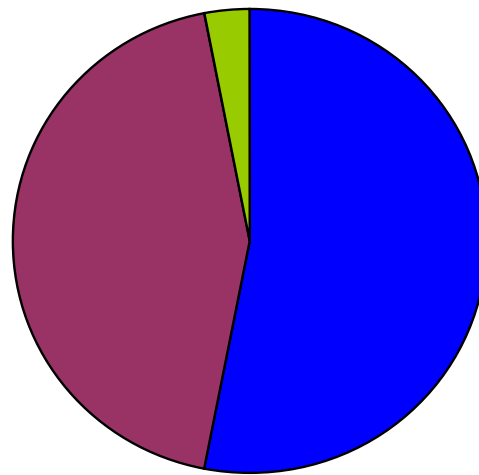
Growing Place's has grown exponentially serving over 290 households over 9 years. We plan to add over 75 in FY 2011 and continue this growth pattern. We have expanded our mission to providing nutrition education to our clients and the community.

In FY 2010, total revenues were \$151,216, of which 53% came from corporate grants and partnerships, 43% from public gifts and vendors, and 3% from federal grants. The organization realized a net surplus of \$6,819 for the year.

In FY 2011, Growing Places intends to reach out to even more families in our community. In order to accomplish this goal, we have budgeted \$184,400 to support 150 raised beds and to expand our nutrition education program to more clients. Additionally, as of this report, Growing Places has received \$71,300 in committed grants and donations leaving a current fundraising gap of \$113,100.

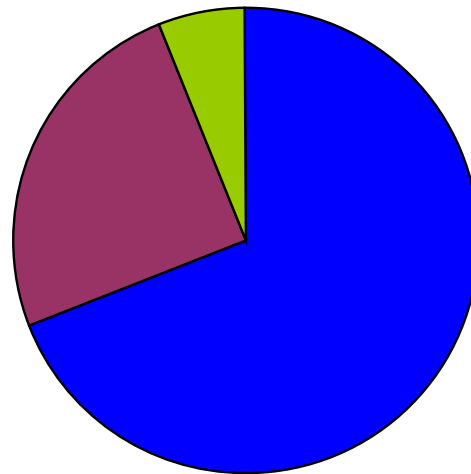
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Growing Places relies on our Corporate, Private, and Community Partnerships to fund these programs. If you would like to help support this worthwhile community outreach, please contact us at: 978.598.3723 or staff@growingplaces.org



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- corporate grants & partnerships
- public gifts
- federal grants



Expenses

- program
- administrative
- fundraising





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