



HELP MORE PEOPLE GROW!



Here is how you can help low-income people and communities realize the many health, social and economic benefits of growing their own food.

BECOME A SPONSOR - Make a financial contribution of \$500 or more and be listed as a sponsor for a full year in all marketing materials, including electronic and print, as well as promoted as a sponsor at all events. [see back for more details]

VOLUNTEER - Build a garden and provide your employees with a meaningful team building and community service opportunity and help families in need learn how to grow, harvest and use fresh, home grown produce. Encourage an employee to serve on our board or one of our committees.

DONATE A SERVICE or ITEM - We are always in need of materials to build and support our gardens—Organic compost and fertilizer, seeds, seedlings, shovels, rakes, tools, a pick-up truck and machinery. We appreciate donations.



At Growing Places, we believe in the power of gardening to improve lives. We help low-income individuals, families, and communities realize the many health, economic, and social benefits of growing their own produce by building food gardens and the skills to maintain them. Each garden is designed based on needs and for sustainability and built by a team of volunteers.

We prioritize opportunities to work in Clinton, Fitchburg, Leominster, Gardner and Shirley, but consider other towns on a case by case basis.

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GROWING PLACES CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2014

Make a financial contribution to Growing Places of \$500 or more and **we will promote your business** in all our marketing materials for one year. Other benefits are based on contributions as follows:

Community Builder: \$2,500 - Logo and company name and link to website listed in all marketing materials, including print and electronic. A sign with company name and logo at a community garden of your choosing. Company will also be listed as a sponsor at ALL events held during the year..

Garden Builder: \$1,000 - Logo and company name and link to website listed in all marketing materials, including print and electronic, and as a sponsor at ALL events held during the year..

Healthy Soil: \$750 - Logo and company name listed in all marketing materials, including print and electronic, and as a sponsor at ALL events held during the year..

Frame Builder: \$500 - company name listed in all marketing materials and as a sponsor at ALL events held during the year.

Why Hometown Bank invests in Growing Places:

“Hometown Bank invests in Growing Places because we share the same philosophy of investing in people, one individual or family at a time. We give our customers the tools they need to assist them in making a better life for themselves or for improving the quality of the life they already have which is very similar to Growing Places mission. Hometown Bank knows that when we invest in our community we are investing in our future,” explains Lancaster Hometown Bank Branch Manager Denise Fernald, pictured at right at a GP Garden Build.



Denise Fernald, Lancaster Branch Manager for Hometown Bank volunteers at a garden installation.

Here is what Denise had to say about the benefit of supporting Growing Places?

“Personally, I have been an advocate of Growing Places since I first heard of its existence. Growing Places is directly responsible for happiness and joy to the dinner tables of many families as they share in the fruits of their labor. It also educates individuals in goal setting - an important tool to carry through life . . . I have to say, this is one of my favorite volunteer experiences ever! I love Growing Places’ so much, I joined the board this past year!”