

Warner Connects Community Garden

Main objective:

Establish a manageable raised bed garden area to serve our community living with food insecurity. Create a working model and program to be shared with other communities. To grow vegetables and herbs to be consumed this coming growing season.

The Project outline:

Establish non-permanent raised beds that can be moved if the program were to discontinue or grow in another direction.

We are looking to put in place 14 - 4' round raised beds, 2 3'x7' oval beds and two wooden raised beds. This space would be utilized by the tray it forward program, Abenaki food pantry, Warner Connects and local classrooms for a pollinators garden with the butterfly project.

10- 4' round beds- Warner Connects-Seeds and plants provided by Farmsteads Mobile food pantry. Maintained by Farmsteads.

2 -wooden beds Tray it forward – Plants provided by Tray it forward program. Planted and maintained by tray it forward recipients chosen by Warner Connects.

4- 4' rounds beds Abenaki food pantry- Seeds provided by the Abenaki Food pantry. Planted by students and maintain by Farmsteads

1 3'x7' oval bed Herbs/tasting garden- Seeds and plants provided by Farmsteads Mobile food pantry

1 3'x7' oval bed Pollinators garden for the butterfly project- Seeds provided by the Butterfly project. Planted by students and maintain by Farmsteads

Project Timeline:

May-Assemble raised beds and fill with soil

June-Plant raised beds

October-Clean up raised beds

November-Assess the project as a whole and make program projections with participating programs and the town

Materials needed:

14 Ultimate Plant Bed Mixture@ Dirt Doctors \$28.50/yard

14 -4' round beds- \$73.00/each @Northern tool



2 3'x6'x1 Oval beds- \$87.00/each @Northern tool



2 Wooden beds

Materials cost: It is projected that all materials and labor will be donated. The town will be not be required to provide any financial contribution.

Galvanized raised beds: \$1,195.00

Wooden raised beds:

Soil: \$399.00

Supported by:

Feed Kearsarge

Farmsteads of New England's Mobile food pantry-Will provide seeds, plants and maintenance in the Warner Connects raised beds

Warner Connects

Economic development advisory committee

Warner Agriculture Commission

Main Street Warner Inc

The Butterfly project-Provide seeds, labor and school to garden liaison for the pollinator, herb and tasting garden beds