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ABOUT GFCGC

Started in late 2011, the GFCGC's purpose is to develop greater food security in our region. We believe that a truly sustainable and resilient community-based food system is grounded in the active participation of all citizens. Our initiatives are focused on increasingly re-learning to feed ourselves and our neighbors. By supporting and initiating a variety of family, community, neighborhood, workplace, and school gardens, as well as sponsoring workshops, developing community infrastructure (root cellars, hoop houses), and growing cash crops we can create a food system rooted in our community.

MISSION STATEMENT:

"To be a community in southeastern Vermont that achieves greater food security through the development of a garden-based local food system resulting in an enhanced civic pride, a stronger local economy, and a more sustainable environment."

CATCHMENT AREA:

- Rockingham
- Bellows Falls
- Saxtons River
- Westminster
- Cambridgeport
- Grafton
- Athens

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- Bellows Falls Central Elementary Garden
- Bellows Falls Middle School Garden
- Green Street Neighborhood Garden
- Saxtons River Community Garden
- Rockingham Town Manager
- Westminster School Garden
- Bellows Falls Community Garden
- Bellows Falls Union High School Garden
- Our Place Drop-In Center Garden
- Athens Food Committee
- Sustainable Valley Group
- Compass School Garden
- Post Oil Solutions

MEDIA PARTNER:

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CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS:

- Developing Atkinson Street Neighborhood Garden project on sites of Peoples Bank and Meeting Waters YMCA in Bellows Falls for 2013 season
- Planning a combination community garden and bocce court on Rockingham Street, Bellows Falls
- Grant writing & fund raising for part-time Collaborative Coordinator
- Exploring the feasibility of a cash crop to sustain work of Collaborative
- Hosting worm composting, root cellar, gardening, 9 x 12 garden, raised bed gardening & container gardening workshops Spring 2013
- Exploring the feasibility of a container garden campaign with area merchants and interested residents

