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September 2025 Newsletter

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Notes From the Field

Hey folks,

During this transition season at the Farm, our assistant grower Courtenay and I have been keeping things running! Summer CSA shares have been big and beautiful, the Mobile Market and volunteer sessions continue going well, and we are trying to keep everything on track for our Fall CSA shares! We are excited that we will also have a new Assistant Farm Manager joining us in October!

We are still harvesting lots of tomatoes, eggplant, and peppers, though our zukes and cukes are on their last legs. We're also harvesting a variety of greens, roots, and herbs to keep our shares interesting! Potatoes, onions, shallots, and garlic are all in storage and most will be saved for the fall CSA, while our bulk harvest of winter squash and many roots are still to come. We're planting our final field greens for the year and then we'll plant some more in the high tunnels. Our new high tunnel is still open on the ends, so my big project over the next week or so will be to finish the end walls before it gets too cold.

I've really been enjoying our cooler weather, playing lots of music, and getting fall projects done. I hope you're all spending lots of time outside in this beautiful weather!

See you on the Farm,

Avery Westa
Farm Manager

Fall CSA Registration: Register Before They're Gone!



Registration for our Fall CSA is moving along swiftly, and now there are only 10 shares left!

Details: The Fall CSA will be a 10 week CSA (1x weekly pickup) starting in October. Pickup locations in downtown Needham.

Vegetables: Squash, fennel, herbs, cabbage, onions, garlic, potatoes, lettuce, and much more! *NEW this year:* shallots, rutabaga, celeriac and parsnips!

Cost: \$300

[Register Today!](#)

Save the Date: Lett-uce PARTY! Fall Fundraiser + Dance!



Come join us for a fall fundraiser and dance party:

THE LETT-UCE PARTY!

Date + Time: Saturday November 15, 2025

Location: The Village Club ([83 Morton St Needham](#))

Time: 7pm - 11pm

Dance the night away to the tunes of local band Hello Newman and DJ Dean. Plus, cash bar (1 drink ticket with ticket purchase!), yummy snacks, and a fun time sure to be had by all! All money raised goes to support Needham Community Farm.

Tickets will be available for purchase soon, so be on the lookout!

Volunteer Opportunities: Fall on the Farm

The autumn days are a great time to be on the Farm! Fresh, crisp air, and working the earth is an excellent way to get some exercise. Register now to help us weed, turn over beds, spread compost, prep for winter, and more:

[Register to Volunteer - Fall](#)

We still have some slots open for Harvest Volunteers for our Fall CSA! Harvest volunteers play a key role, so we ask for 5 Fridays (not consecutive) as a commitment. Sign up and please review all details:



Harvest Volunteer

Coming Soon: Needham Harvest Fair



The Annual Needham Harvest Fair will be held on Sunday October 5, from 11am - 3pm!

Come down to Greene's Field in Needham and be sure to visit NCF's booth! Plant your own pea shoots, buy a stylish NCF t-shirt, or chat with our Board members and staff!

The Harvest Fair is a long-standing event, presented by the Charles River Chamber, showcasing Needham-based businesses and community organizations while celebrating the fall season.

For more details, see the event website [here](#).

Community Events



At a time when so many are experiencing rising uncertainty, isolation and division, it has never been more important to nurture connection and strengthen emotional wellness. That's exactly what the Needham Resilience Network's (NRN) inaugural **Needham Thrives Festival** is designed to do.

Date + Time: Saturday, September 28th - 1-4 pm

Location: Greene's Field (in the event of rain it will be held in

Powers Hall in Needham Town Hall)

Farm View



A late summer look at our expanded farmland



Tomatoes are still growing and looking beautiful in this cooler weather!

Donations always accepted!

Donations can be made by clicking on the button below, by visiting our website at needhamfarm.org or by sending a check made payable to the Needham Community Farm and mail to P.O. Box 920877, Needham, MA 02492.

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