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FIELDS TO FAMILIES

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GENERAL INFO

METHOD OF SALE Nonprofit, grown and collected produce is donated

METHOD/TIME OF CONTACT Email

PRODUCTS Vegetables, herbs and beehives

PRODUCTION PRACTICES

DESCRIPTION Fields to Families serves those experiencing food insecurity in the Lowcountry by providing access to produce from local farms, farmers markets, & Moncks Corner garden.

CSA INFO N/A

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

HOW DID YOU GET INTO THIS TYPE OF WORK? (EX. BACKGROUND)

I volunteered with the organization, was a board member, and then became certified as a master gardener and took on position as program manager. I enjoy the charity aspect as much as the growing.

WHAT ARE YOUR MAIN GOALS OR THE FOCAL POINT OF YOUR OPERATION?

To produce a high crop yield of seasonal produce for donation to service agencies. Build and establish a greenhouse, expand crop area, tend to beehive. To use our vast farm network to also harvest pounds for donation.

WHAT CERTIFICATIONS DOES YOUR FARM HAVE OR ARE YOU WORKING TOWARDS? (EX. CSA, GAP, ORGANIC, ETC.)

None at this time, potentially interested in GAP certification.

WHAT WOULD A TYPICAL SCHEDULE FOR YOUR APPRENTICE BE? (DAYS/TIMES)

Apprentice to choose hours between 7:30am-1:30 M-F. Activities include planting, harvesting, building boxes, compost care, and tending to beehives. Very hands on space due to smaller scale production, potential for leadership opportunities

WHAT TOPICS WOULD YOU CONSIDER TO BE YOUR STRENGTHS?

Non-profit, food justice, food recovery, Growing a large variety of seasonal produce, organizing volunteers, meeting farmer needs, network of farmers and service agencies which is why we were able to donate 80,000lbs. of produce in 2017.

WHAT DO YOU THINK THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR YOUR FARM?

We plan to expand our growing area through row planting, straw bale planting, establishing our greenhouse, building processing tables, and using our rain barrels for many new ideas/projects such as an irrigation system