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Dear Heather,

Despite the rain and cold, the growing season is, in fact, upon us. This is your last chance to register for the Groundwork Lawrence & Farmer Dave's Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Program! We're busy prepping for the CSA and the Farmers Markets, as well as all our Summer Youth Programming! Also, the Kite Festival is almost here. We hope you'll join us for some Family Fun! Read on for more details...

Last Chance to Register for the CSA Fresh Fruits and Veggies Program!



For those of you who forgot, have been procrastinating, or just didn't know, our CSA program starts June 14th. **Please register by May 31st to reserve your spot.** The staff over at Farmer Dave's in Dracut are busy preparing fabulous fresh fruits and vegetables for us! This year registration is being done directly through Farmer Dave's website, with the option to both pay and register online. Visit our [website](#) for more info. As always we are accepting flexible payment plans and SNAP/EBT/Food Stamps, and we are continuing to

subsidize shares through our Groundwork Share-a-Share™ Program. This year we have been able to extend these subsidies to all of Farmer Dave's CSA distribution sites. Please consider making a donation to the [Share-a-Share](#) fund to help us continue to increase access to fresh, healthy, affordable, local food in our community and beyond. Please contact [Anna](#) with any questions (978) 974-0770 ex 4.

Still Fundraising for our New Van!

GWL has the opportunity to buy a gently-used 12 person van to take Green Team and Summer Stewards on field trips and to support events such as Earth Day, Kite Festival, and Spicket River Cleanup and our Fresh Food Programs (CSA,



Farmers Markets and Community Gardens). We need to raise \$15,000 for the purchase price and initial insurance premium. You can [donate specifically for the van](#) online. While you are there, check-out our inkind donation needs for our new [learning kitchen](#). Thank you for your support!



Green Team Hiking

Urban Adventures - a new Summer Youth Program

We are excited to pilot our newest Summer Youth Program in partnership with Mass Audubon, a 6-week environmental education program for ages 7-12. The Urban Adventures Summer Program is a nature-based day camp right in the heart of Lawrence! Our fun, summer program is designed to give children the experience and adventure of an authentic nature camp. Each week features a unique theme, tailored for every age group and each day is packed with outdoor exploration, science activities, arts & crafts, games, and songs!

Click [here](#) for more info or contact Nia at (978) 974-0770 ex 8.

Join us for our 13th Annual Kite Festival!



13th Annual Kite Festival,
A Family Fiesta!
Festival de Cometas,
una Fiesta para Familias!

Saturday June 11 - Sábado 11 de Junio, 11-3PM
at Pemberton Park on the Merrimack River
en Pemberton Park al lado del Rio Merrimack

trolley rides • paseos en un trencito
food • comida
kite making • construcción de cometas

For more information contact: Para mas informacion:
Groundwork Lawrence (978) 974-0770
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Logos for partners: dcr, a tree icon, a green triangle icon, a building icon, a circular seal icon, a circular seal icon, NORTHERN ESSEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE, and MCCC.

Contact [Rose](#) for more info (978) 974-0770 ex 2

We hope to see you all at the Kite Festival. Please remember that we are [hiring](#) Team Leaders for Green Team as well as the Urban Adventures program and will be recruiting for a Market Manager soon. Also, [save June 9th](#) for a volunteer playground build at the Arlington School. The playground is being built through support from New Balance, KaBOOM!, and The Community Group [Promise Neighborhood partnership](#). Special thanks to the approximately 850 volunteers who came out and made our Earth Davy/Comcast Cares Day a HUGE success. We couldn't have done it without you! Lastly we'd like to welcome to our newest board members Pati Fernandez and John Begley (thank you Jericho Road Lawrence!).

Sincerely,

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