

Dear Friends,

We greatly appreciate all the energy and support this community has put forth toward lifting Wagbo up in 2025 and during the past several years. Our programming efforts including monthly Full Moon Feasts and Stitch & Such Sundays and our annual Wassail Blessing of the Orchards and Maple Sugaring Open House were successful in attracting new friends and lots of fresh ideas. The events also offered an opportunity to increase awareness in topics that are relevant to peace and justice, to connect with others, and bring new volunteers with bountiful talents to Wagbo.



Wagbo also had a very successful 2025 with regard to campus improvements. The old garage was transformed into a fiber arts workshop where we will be able to offer classes in fiber arts and other relevant topics. We also installed improved drainage and a new rain garden. The main farmhouse also received some love and care with some new appliances, flooring and paint. We could not have accomplished this work without the generous support of donors like you as well as grant support from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation, Great Lakes Energy People Fund, Paddle Antrim Ripple Effect and the Antrim Women's Alliance. We are planning to keep the momentum going in 2026 with focus on upgrades to the Community Room, the Woodshop and the Sugar Shack.

Our founder, Martha Wagbo, intended the farm to be used to support a *Center for Peace and Justice*. That goal statement has led Wagbo to set a course for renewed commitment to providing deeply rooted support to the local community. Peace & Justice will be the guiding principle as Wagbo embarks upon a Strategic Master Planning process in 2026. With community input, the plan will develop our vision of offering more direct support to the local community in areas such as housing, health & wellness, creative arts, stewarding the land and support of small businesses.

Celebration is in order this coming year, as Wagbo recognizes its 30th year as a non-profit organization! We hope you will join us for a summer garden party in celebration of Wagbo's anniversary. More information to come.

We invite you to support Wagbo to improve its campus, offering peaceful spaces for people to gather, and to continue hosting free community events and educational programming that directly or indirectly relate to Peace and Justice. We greatly appreciate your donation of time and/or money. Your donations are tax deductible and can be made on-line at <https://app.autobooks.co/pay/wagbo-peace-center>. You can sign up to volunteer by completing a form on our website; www.wagbo.org, sending an e-mail to; info@wagbo.org, or messaging us on facebook.

With Gratitude,

Wagbo Board and Staff

~ Kenny, Jasmine, Corrine, Jack, Colleen, Jen and Wendy

