

Harmony Homestead &
Wholeness Center, Inc.
Berkshires/Columbia County, NY

Summer 2020

Dear Ones,

What a dynamic moment in time we all find ourselves in, where Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) are pleading that our Black Lives Matter, and that the world, due to the great misfortune of dear lives, is now listening.

We are deeply mourning the many losses of black lives over the recent years and will continue to hold vigil for these lives and what they stirred in us, as we did before the media attention.

We will continue to hold space for black lives mending from the spiritual, mental, and physical abuses we, as Black staff and volunteers here, know all too well. As before, we will organically grow, culturally celebratory foods for BIPOC and hold sacred space for our sacred lives.

This begins our third growing season onsite at Harmony. Great highlights from our 2019 growing season: We grew at least 800 lbs of organically grown food and fed Black elders, families, and churches in Berkshire, Albany, and Schenectady Counties for free (by donation). We also led two separate Reevaluation Counseling class series for BIPOC women and white allies.

To our infrastructure, we added rainwater catchment systems, and we expanded our outdoor deck and added a wheelchair ramp to make our spaces more accessible and welcoming for all!

We are blessed to marinate in and share the bounty of gifts with the community.

Please join in the good news. We ask for your support in ways that flow joyously from the heart. Please consider underwriting an expense or offering an in-kind donation of the following (current season priorities in **bold updated for Summer 2020**):

- A homestead/farm expense
 - **Ancestral Arboretum**: \$20,000 or some portion _____
 - **Small chainsaw**: \$150 or some portion _____
 - **Arbor materials**: \$300 or some portion _____
 - **Farm Carry-All**: \$2500 or some portion _____

- **Outdoor benches/tents/tables:** \$3000 or some portion _____
- **Solar power conversion:** \$10,000 or some portion _____
- Permanent water cistern construction: \$ 5000 or some portion _____
- **3-Point tractor and implements:** \$22,500 or some portion _____
- Meditation hall and dorm (new construction): \$250,000 or some portion _____
- **Dug pond: \$7000 or some portion _____**
- **Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle for transportation to programs:** \$13,000 or some portion _____
- **Wheelchair ramp to greenhouse: \$1500 or some portion _____**
- A structural expense
 - **Bathroom handicap accessibility:** \$22,000 or some portion _____
 - Property Insurance (annual): \$2500 or some portion _____
 - Electricity (annual): \$1200 or some portion _____
 - Wood stove #2 flute conversion: \$300 or some portion _____
 - Grounds Maintenance (annual): \$6000 or some portion _____
- An administrative and programs (annual) expense
 - **Wifi and Phone:** \$1100 or some portion _____
 - **Paid Staff and youth interns:** \$120,000 or some portion _____
 - **Guest teachers/consultants:** \$8000 or some portion _____
 - **Community Disaster/Crisis Relief Support:** \$3000 or some portion _____
- Other in-kind donations
 - **Chest Freezer**
 - **Meditation/Prayer mats**
 - **Back-up projector bulb**
 - **CPA services**
 - **Carpentry services (all levels)**
 - Bunk beds
 - Books on farming, homesteading, Earth-centered cultures and spirituality
 - Afro-centric and Earth-centric artwork
 - **Ceremonial items: incense, drums, flutes, other instruments**
- A retreat for one underserved community member:
 - 1 daylong retreat: \$40
 - 1 overnight retreat: \$80
 - 1 weekend retreat: \$150

Arrange for in-kind donation delivery or pick-up via email shinebrightblack07@gmail.com .

Easily send a contribution to our PayPal account on the website

<https://unveilwholeness.com/wish-list> .

Thank you for supporting harmony, wholeness, and reparations to Black lives, between humans and Earth, between races, between body, heart, and soul. This work on one patch of the planet ripples out and synergizes with all the other healing communities and prayers around the world. You are in our hearts. Please keep us in yours.

Peace and Eternal Gratitude,

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