

LUMBERJACK RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC. GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

To be considered for a Lumberjack Grant, an application should be prepared using the attached format and the following steps...

PROJECT TITLE Expanding the Red River Garden

STEP 1: Read This Entire Document

There are policies, timelines and steps required **PRIOR** to submitting your application to the Lumberjack Council. Please pay close attention to the grant policy and timeline and use this checklist. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the Lumberjack office to make sure they're following the application process prior to the deadline.

STEP 2: Complete the attached Grant Application & Budget Form – Forms are available online at

<https://lumberjackrcd.org/projects>

Attach a corresponding Letter of Support for each match Partner listed on the budget form (see policy page section 8 for Letters of Support requirements.)

STEP 3: Approval by the County's Land Conservation Committee

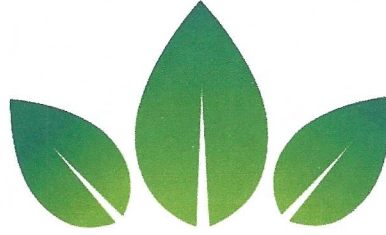
Our Council is made up of county supervisors from Land & Water Conservation Committees. So they know what projects are being developed in their own counties, Lumberjack requires the committees to approve our grant applications. Contact the LCC Chairperson for the county or counties in which the project will take place and ask to be put on the agenda in plenty of time to present the proposal at one of their committee meetings prior to our deadline of 12/31. **Make sure to plan this LCC approval process in plenty of time ahead of Lumberjack's December 31st deadline.** At the LCC meeting, you will present copies of your proposal and be available to answer any questions. (NOTE: Counties may have their own policy regarding presentation materials so be sure to ask what is required ahead of time.) Approval/denial will appear in their minutes and if approved, request a copy of the minutes and complete the County LCC checks below:

Presented & received approval from the LCC Committee in the County (or Counties) of Shawano on 12/1/22 (Date)

Attach the minutes of the county's or counties' LCC minutes showing our project has been approved.

STEP 4: Submit Proposal to Lumberjack before the DEADLINE of DECEMBER 31st

After LCC approval, email your completed project proposal to the Lumberjack Administrative Office at tracybeckman.lumberjack@frontier.com by the annual deadline of December 31st. Projects must pass an 'Initial Screening' in which they will be checked for 1) on-time submission 2) LCC Approval 3) complete application **including corresponding letters of support for each match amount listed on the budget.** Deficiencies will be communicated (provided it is before the deadline) so they can be addressed, corrected, and re-submitted by the deadline without penalty. Proposals not received by the deadline will not be considered. **HELPFUL TIP:** It is a good idea to submit the proposal ahead of the deadline in case there are any deficiencies.



THE F.R.E.S.H. PROJECT

FOOD • RESOURCES • EDUCATION • SUSTAINABILITY • HEALTH

**LUMBERJACK RESOURCE CONSERVATION &
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC.
GRANT APPLICATION**

January 1, 2023

Summary

The Food, Resources, Education, Sustainability, Health Project, Corp. (The F.R.E.S.H. Project) aligns with the Lumberjack Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc.'s mission by the way we continue to provide affordable, accessible, and sustainable food to everyone within Shawano County, including Ho-Chunk Nation and Stockbridge – Munsee Nation. We are pleased that Menominee Nation has joined our partnership to ensure their residents also have access to affordable and sustainable FRESH foods.

Eating FRESH foods starts with the planting of the FRESH gardens, utilizing the land and engaging the community to foster partnerships between the food desert communities and villages. Food deserts are identified of areas with low household incomes with limited access to food. Our education classes and cooking classes promote a higher standard of living and improves the quality of life by promoting healthier diets and cooking techniques.

In 2022, we experienced a 10 percent increase in membership of the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. In addition, the Mobile Market drove to seven different food desert locations throughout Shawano and Menominee counties, including the Village of Mattoon for the first time, to sell affordably priced fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, and eggs to residents who would not normally have access to affordable and healthy fresh foods.



The F.R.E.S.H. Project Garden in Red River support the Share the Bounty tables and local food pantries.

As we continue to provide these programs in 2023, we would like to expand our FRESH Project Garden located in Red River. Susan Hennigan, homeowner, and advocate of the FRESH Project, provides us with the land for growing more than 32,000 pounds of produce harvested for our community Share the Bounty tables, the 13 food pantries and shelters, and community dinners.



The land space of where Ms. Hennigan's barn once stood is the site of our future garden space to support the expansion for the F.R.E.S.H. Project's Mobile Market and CSA programs.

Ms. Hennigan has offered up more land space for the F.R.E.S.H. Project to expand its garden, specifically to support our CSA and Mobile Market programs. This will allow the FRESH Project to become more sustainable with growing our own foods to support our programs. While we will also continue to support our rural farmers, we will be able to save money by growing some of the produce ourselves; and growing more of a variety of produce for our customers. Because transportation remains the number one challenge for those living in Shawano County rural areas and Menominee Nation. To be able to achieve this goal, we would need to plow the 150'x150' land area, put up 900 feet of 3 foot fencing, upper and bottom, create a washing station and purchase additional supplies and equipment.

Objectives

Identified Need 1: Expand the FRESH Project's Red River Garden

Objective 1: Meet with landowner to discussion layout and preparation of the Red River Garden expansion. Measure: Keep records of garden measurements, seeds ordered, and meeting discussions.

Objective 2: Plan and build wash station to clean produce as soon as it is harvested. Measure: Keep track and weigh how much produce has been harvested for the Mobile Market and CSA program.

Objective 3: Hire a part-time seasonal worker to manage the Red River Garden. Measure: Log hours worked and number of volunteers recruited.

Objective 4: Recruit volunteers to assist with the garden expansion. Measure the number of hours and volunteers worked by logging and keeping track.

Identified Need 2: Expand the Mobile Market and Community Sources Agricultural (CSA) boxes Programs

Objective 1: Expand our Mobile Market and CSA programs to reach residents as far west as Mattoon and as far south as Pulaski. Measure: Keep records of compilation of new applications, data, and contacts.

Objective 2: Engage farmers to grow additional produce to assist with the Mobile Market to help with produce that we are not growing. Measure: Log of date/time/participating farmers/events.

Objective 3: Conduct post evaluation survey and determine changes based on evaluation results. Measure: Collect survey results and make needed improvements to the program.

Formulation and Evaluation

The F.R.E.S.H. Project's mission is to bridge food resources to secure local needs through partnerships with rural farmers and community organizations. The success of the program is by providing affordable, accessible, and sustainable food to everyone in Shawano and Menominee County residents.

Number of Mobile Market Locations and CSA boxes sold: Success in this area will be able to support the expansion of our Mobile Markets and the number of Community Supported Agriculture boxes to the residents allowing them to receive fresh, healthy locally grown produce, fruit and meats while still supporting our rural farmers, but also growing the produce ourselves. This will alleviate some of the expense of purchasing produce/fruits and allow the FRESH project to become more sustainable of growing our own. In addition, transportation challenges of driving into the city of Shawano to the nearest grocery store continues to be the number one issue for our seniors and low-income families who live in the food desert areas. This will also provide the residents with increased fresh food, increasing their quality of life.

Expand the Education Programs: Success in this area is educating young families, elderly, and children on the importance of eating their colors, preserving vegetable and fruits for the Winter, how to eat healthy on a budget and providing them hands on training.

Promoting FRESH Project's mission to expand community involvement and funding: By increasing the awareness of "poverty does happen in your backyard" we can come together to help others to expand our volunteering network which will allow us to provide more fundraising events, and gain sustainability by business, organization and private funding.

Assistance Needed

The FRESH Project will require additional funding to expand our Red River Garden to support our growing CSA and Mobile Market programs.

Our plan is to hire a local farmer to plow a 150' x 150' garden and fence it in to keep deer and other critters out from eating our plants and produce. We would purchase a garden tiller and black garden material to manage the weeds growing into the garden.

We would construct a wash station at the Red River Garden to add value to the vegetables grown at the garden and shared throughout the Shawano and Menominee communities. Currently, there is a minimal wash done on vegetables harvested and vegetables are harvested the same day as they are distributed. The current wash facility is in Shawano, located at the FRESH Project office, 10 miles away from the farm and a Wash and Pack facility onsite at the Red River Garden would help increase the overall quality of vegetables being distributed from the farm and would help the farm expand its CSAs and Mobile Markets.

We would utilize our on-site hoop house to start the seeds. We would purchase a holding tank to collect rainwater to water the plants inside the hoop house.

We would also hire of a part-time person to assist in the distribution of the vegetables produced the Red River Garden. This person would manage the day-to-day activities garden and work with the Executive Director on the produce needed for the week of the CSAs and Mobile Markets. The ideal candidate for this position would be someone who has volunteered or has worked with the FRESH Project and understands our mission. It is the goal of the demonstration farm to be used as a training space for community members interested in agriculture. This would be a part-time, 20 hour per week position, for 24 weeks from mid-May through mid-October, which is the main harvest season for our region. This position would be available for the 2023 growing season.

The F.R.E.S.H. Project is the only organization of this kind in Shawano County, and as recently stated by Hunger Relief Federation, "the only organization in the State" that provides this type of service to the people in need, especially in the food desert communities

The FRESH Project

Project Outline & Timetable

Date: 11/16/2022

List the project steps and expected completion dates. Could there be any possible roadblocks? If so, list them here.

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05/2023	10/2023	<p><i>Possible Roadblocks: Weather. Weather plays a huge part of our gardening process. A wet spring will delay planting of gardens and harvesting produce. If there is a dry summer, we need to have water sources available.</i></p>		
06/2023	10/2023			

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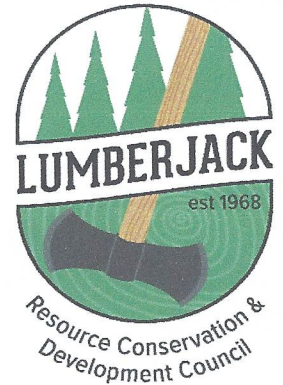
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LUMBERJACK BUDGET FORM



Project Name: Expanding the F.R.E.S.H. Projects

Starting Project Date

Ending Project Date **1**

1/1/2023

12/31/2023

Income (SPECIFY)	Cash	Match (Cash & In-Kind) 2,3	Total
YOUR Request of Lumberjack RC&D	\$10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
Fundraising		\$21,500	\$11,500.00
Community Donations		\$10,000	\$10,000.00
Volunteer Hours		\$4,500	\$4,500
Total Income	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 46,000.00

Percent of Match=Match Total/Lumberjack Reque **360%**

LJ Percent of Total = YOUR LJ Request/Total Expen: **22%**

General Expenses (SPECIFY)		
Salaries & Benefits		\$11,000
Contracted Svcs		\$6,000
Mobile Market & Shawano Farmers market		\$15,000
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Total Expenses	\$	46,000.00
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15% of the Match must be in Cash and proof of cash payment must be received prior to requesting Lumberjack funds.
Volunteer Services=\$12/hour & Professional Services=current hourly wage
- 3** A Letter of Support is required for all match partners listed above and must include a description and value of service.
- 4** Explain a **NET** balance other than Zero (\$0.00) in the box below:

What Do People Say

Education Gardens: A teacher from Hillcrest Primary School says that the Garden Education program is one of her student's favorite summer school classes. Her sign-up sheet is filled with eager student farmers who love to garden and try new foods. She says that her parents comment on their children's positive experience and most students encourage their parents to grow their own gardens.

The goal of creating a self-sustaining school-aged garden education program was realized this year with our education partners at Keshena Primary School. Kids were taught how to grow food from seeds, transplant seedlings into gardens, care for gardens, and harvest their food, and learned about healthy eating. We will continue providing educational programs at our local schools.

\$5 Token Program & Share the Bounty tables: A vendor from the Shawano Farmers Market stated the \$5 Token program helps with their produce business as they receive the tokens from those who would not normally shop at the market. Those that receive the \$5 tokens to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables from our rural farmers are grateful to purchase healthier foods and prepare healthier meals.

CSA and Mobile Market: "I look forward to the summer! I know you will be in Tigerton with the mobile market where I can use my Farmers Market vouchers!" said one senior shopper. "I don't have transportation and I am so happy that you come directly to our housing center."

Working with the Shawano County Social Services, the representative received feedback from one of the clients that receive a free "donated" CSA box every other week for 14 weeks. "I cannot believe the beautiful fresh produce we receive in our box. I look forward to the surprise every time I get it. It makes me happy to know that people care about me to donate this box during the summer. It really helps me eat healthier."

Produce as a Prescription: We received positive feedback from both the clinic partners and the clients on the program. Theda Care Rural Health clinic partner stated, "I feel the Produce as a Prescription program is a great idea. The concept of prescribing fresh produce instead or alongside medications is brilliant. We need people to make lifestyle changes, not look for an easy fix from medication only. The prescription helps instill the idea that what is eaten and lifestyle is connected to health."

An enrolled client said that her A1C levels lowered and she lost weight. "I feel so good about eating fresh vegetables and fruit. I loved the cookbook and I look forward to losing more weight even after the program ends."



Minutes

Land Conservation Committee Meeting

**Thursday, December 1, 2022 @ 8:00 AM
Shawano County Courthouse, Meeting Room 7**

Members Present:

David Heideman, Devin Krizan, Thomas Kautza, Joe Miller, Wayne Nischke, and Arlyn Tober

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Scott Frank, Jacob Buettner & Mary George (LCD); Barb Mendoza (FRESH Project); Shanda Hubertus (WAMSCO); Randall Wollenhaup (Stockbridge-Munsee Community); James Davel (Administration)

1. Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Chairman Tober.

2. Motion to deviate from the order of the agenda, if necessary.

Motion made by Kautza, seconded by Heideman to allow deviation from the order of items on the agenda if necessary. Motion prevailed by acclamation.

3. Public comment.

None

4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting.

Motion made by Kautza, seconded by Krizan to accept the minutes for November 3, 2022 LCC meeting as written. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Chairman Tober deviated to item #6. (Nischke arrived 8:03 AM)

5. Agency reports:

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) - Farm Service Agency

Nischke reported they received their annual report from Loan Officer Casey John Plamann there were 213 loans in Shawano County with 8 delinquencies. It's been a good year for crops but with a lot of corn still in the field due to lack of room at the mills. They are still looking for help at the office. Discussion followed. Chairman Tober deviated to item #6.3.

6. Discuss and take possible action on grant proposals to Lumberjack Resource Conservation & Development Council.

6.1 FRESH Project

Barb Mendoza from the FRESH Project gave a brief background of the project's 1st and 2nd phases explaining where they grow the vegetables and fruit for the food pantries, mobile market, etc. Mendoza then explained the 3rd phase: Expanding the Red River Garden, which includes the ability to use a 150'x150' area of donated land to expand the garden. They are requesting \$10,000 which

would be used for preparing the land, 900' of fencing, creating a wash station for harvested produce as well as the purchase of additional supplies. After discussion, a motion made by Miller, seconded by Kautza to recommend approval of the FRESH Project proposal to the Lumberjack RC&D Council. Motion prevailed by acclamation.

6.2 Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties

Shanda Hubertus from WAMSCO gave a brief presentation of their new project: WAMSCO Mobile Education Classroom that is modeled after the Teaching Outdoor Awareness & Discovery (TOAD) program in Marinette County which is a hands-on type of education. This project needs an enclosed trailer to hold the equipment for teaching this program. They have acquired some funding from other sources and are requesting \$7,500 which is the remainder of funds needed for this project. After discussion, a motion made by Miller, seconded by Krizan to recommend approval of the WAMSCO Project proposal to the Lumberjack RC&D Council. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Chairman Tober deviated to item #12.

6.3 Shawano County Land Conservation Dept

Frank gave a brief presentation of the LCD's Project: Youth Conservation Field Days for 5th grade students which are held at Navarino Nature Center and Wilson Creek Orchard. Frank explained the costs and various support needed for holding these events. The LCD is requesting \$2,950 for this project. After discussion a motion made by Miller, seconded by Krizan to recommend approval of the Shawano County Conservation Field Days Project proposal to the Lumberjack RC&D Council. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Chairman Tober deviated to item #8.

7. Land Conservation staff reports.

Frank stated Blake has been busy tidying up projects for Bob Schmidt and Breitenfeldt in which they received cost share this year as well as working on recent request for Gary Przybylski on a manure transfer/reception tank for a new free stall barn. He also worked with processors on deer donations and testing for CWD. Frank stated the last 2 shoreland projects for 2022 had been completed and payments were processed, the LCD received a \$500 Cellcom Green Gifts award for the Youth Conservation Field Days, the NMP Farmers workshop will be held December 9th with 10 farmers currently registered. Buettner has been working on cover crop inspections, Multi Discharger Variance project for harvestable buffers, helping get ready for the NMP workshop and taking an AutoCAD class at NWTC which ends December 15, 2022. Discussion was interspersed throughout the reports. Chairman Tober deviated to item #5.

8. Discuss and take possible action on approval of cost share payments for Back 40 Project through Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance.

Buettner stated this is a program through Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance for cover crop/no-till practices which allows 100 Acres per county for 2 years. This program offers \$10,000 with \$9,000 cost shared to farms and \$1,000 incentive for the county. Buettner displayed a map of Shawano County showing where the 5 farms who signed up for the program are located adding we are requesting cost share for single species cover crop at \$48.47 per acre. The only upfront cost for the county will be the payment to the farm then the county will be reimbursed through Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance. After discussion, motion made by Kautza, seconded by Miller to approve cost share payments for Back 40 Soil Health Project as presented. Motion prevailed by acclamation.

9. Report on 10/7/22 Lake Michigan Area meeting.

Heideman stated he and Buettner attended the LMA meeting in Sheboygan County. There was quite a long discussion regarding the PFAS issues with no actions taken. They also had a guest speaker, Jake Devine from Glacierland RC&D who spoke about things they were doing such as prevention/control of invasive species: garlic mustard and boat cleaning at boat launches; urban wood project (the processing of wood) and firewood vendor database.

10. Report on 10/19/22 Lumberjack Resource Conservation & Development Council meeting.

Tober stated he attended the meeting where they set a budget of \$60,000 for grants. This amount was set for the next 2 years and explained how they came to this amount. Tober noted Chris Arrowood (Langlade County Conservation) discussed how their county administrator wanted the grant projects to go through the county administrator then be approved by the county board. Tober added he didn't feel this should change and after a long discussion the Lumberjack RC&D Council voted to keep it the way it has been which is going through each county LCC. They met the new TIP coordinator and made new forms for the ranking of the grant proposals where projects that are also funded by tax dollars should not be looked upon as favorably as before.

11. Discuss and take possible action on Notice of Non-compliance to be issued for Farmland Preservation Program.

Frank stated there is one Notice of Non-Compliance with the Farmland Preservation Program for Leon & Rita Smith Life Estate and explained their voluntary removal from the program due to requirements of cropland conservation standard for tillage setback to surface water. Motion made by Tober, seconded by Miller to approve issuing a Notice of Non-compliance with the Farmland Preservation Program for Leon & Rita Smith Life Estate as presented. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Chairman Tober deviated to item #13.

12. Discuss and take possible action on draft WI Wolf Management Plan 2022.

Frank stated that Randall Wollenhaup came and spoke earlier this year in February regarding the Wolf Management Plan and he asked him to come back to help explain the new draft of this plan by the WI DNR. Frank added the committee or individuals have a 60-day comment period (through 1/10/23) if they wish to do so. Wollenhaup, Ecology Department Manager for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, explained how the draft came to be adding that no one was completely happy with it and many compromises came about with it. Wollenhaup explained why there wasn't any targeted wolf population amount goal adding they created new zones which would help with areas where there are issues with wolves. If the wolf comes off the endangered list this plan will help us with depredation issues through management actions. Wollenhaup added the committee or any person can submit comments if they so choose. Following discussion, there was no action taken. Chairman Tober deviated to item #7.

13. Review and discuss 2022 Budget Report for Land Conservation Dept.

Frank displayed the year-to-date Budget Report through Nov. 30 and explained various line items to the committee adding the LCD will most likely be under budget for the year. After a brief discussion Frank asked going forward, the preference of the committee to have the report included in the agenda packet and it was the consensus of the committee to include it in the agenda packet.

14. Discuss and take possible action on extension of timber sale contract 2-2015.

Frank stated the most recent timber sale contract extension for Mielke Park and the Landfill recently expired. The logger was able to fulfill the Mielke Park portion of the contract but due to weather conditions the Landfill site again was unable to be completed. Frank suggested renewing the contract for 2 years with the current contractor. Following discussion, a motion by Kautza, seconded by Heideman to extend the expired contract for 2 years. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Chairman Tober deviated to item #17.

15. It is anticipated that a motion will be made and seconded to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 19.85(1) (c) to discuss and deliberate concerning the performance evaluation of the County Conservationist, who is an employee over which the county exercises jurisdiction.

Motion was made by Miller, seconded by Nischke to go into closed session to discuss performance evaluation of the County Conservationist. Chairman Tober asked for a roll call vote: Kautza – yes, Miller – Yes, Nischke – Yes, Heideman – Yes, Krizan – Yes, Tober – Yes. Motion carried at 9:21 AM.

- 16. It is anticipated that a motion will be made and seconded to come out of closed session to take any action deemed appropriate concerning the closed session item, if any, and to continue with the agenda.**

Motion by Kautza, second by Krizan to come out of closed session to take any action deemed appropriate concerning the closed session item, if any, and to continue with the agenda. Chairman Tober asked for a roll call vote: Kautza – yes, Miller – Yes, Nischke – Yes, Heideman – Yes, Krizan – Yes, Tober – Yes. Motion carried at 9:28 AM. It was the consensus of the committee to follow Davel's recommendations. Chairman Tober deviated to item #21.

- 17. Correspondence and news.**

Frank stated he received the updated WI Land+Water Land Conservation Committee Handbook 2022-2024 as well as the WI Land+Water Annual Report 2021 and distributed them last month to the LCC members who were present and then distributed these items to the committee members who were absent at the last meeting.

- 18. New business that is requested for future committee consideration.**

None

- 19. Approve travel and meeting requests, if necessary.**

None

- 20. Set next meeting date.**

January 5, 2023 at 8:00 AM. Chairman Tober deviated to item #15.

- 21. Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn by Tober, seconded by Kautza. Motion prevailed by acclamation. Meeting adjourned at 9:31 AM.

Recorded by: Scott Frank, Conservationist and Mary George, Office Assistant III

LUMBERJACK BUDGET FORM



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Letter of Support

December 12, 2022

Chairperson
Lori Schuettpelez

Vice Chairperson
Nick Mau

Treasurer
Rebecca Dillenburg

Secretary
Wendy Ainsworth

At Large Member
Marie Duits
Troy Porter

Ambassadors
Gary Besaw – Menominee Nation
JoAnne Schedler – Stockbridge
Munsee Nation
Gloria Tech – Ho-Chunk Nation

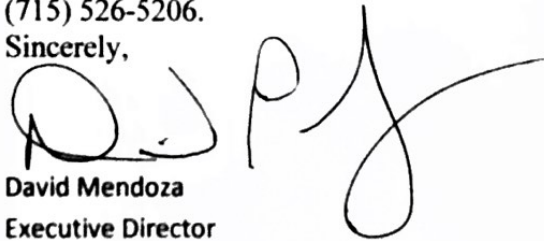
Executive Director
David Mendoza

To Whom It May Concern,

We have raised \$21,500 in donations at local fundraisers to include the mobile markets, farmers markets, and our annual 5K Scrabble Run/Walk. We have raised \$10,000 through our annual campaign via private pledges. In addition, we will have more than 264 volunteer hours, valued at \$5,000 towards our FRESH Project gardens, supporting our local food pantries and Share the Bounty tables.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (715) 526-5206.

Sincerely,



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FRESH Project
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Shawano, WI 54166


Dear FRESH Project:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the expansion of FRESH Project's Red River gardens. For the past 5 years I have been grateful for the opportunity to provide the land in support of a ½ acre garden and a 20' x 36' hoop house. In addition, I will be donating another parcel of land to equal a total of an acre to support expansion of the FRESH Project gardens to continue to support the local food pantries, Share the Bounty tables, the Community Supportive Agriculture boxes and the mobile markets and farmers markets.

According to the National Agriculture Statistics Services, the price of an acreage of land rental in Shawano County is averaged at \$109 per month, totaling \$1308 annually. In addition, I provide storage for garden equipment which would on average cost \$25 per month for a total of \$300 annually. Because of my love for gardening, I graciously donate the land and storage to the FRESH Project. I will also commit up to 10 hours of volunteer service from the months of May through October to assist with planting and maintain the gardens as well as harvesting the produce grown.

I look forward to volunteering and providing the support to the FRESH Project to serve our rural residents of Shawano County.

With hope for a bountiful season,



Susan Hennigan
N6285 Cypress Rd
Shawano, WI 54166

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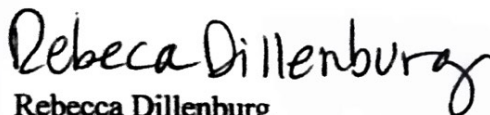
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Sincerely,



Rebecca Dillenburg
W9040 County Rd M
Shawano, WI 54166

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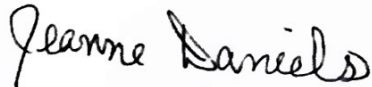
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Jeanne Daniels
Cypress Rd
Shawano, WI 54166