

SPACE TO GROW FARM PARTNERSHIPS

St Werburghs City Farm is an inner-city community hub for land-based opportunities. We understand the importance that green space has for health and wellbeing, which is why all our work is based on strengthening the connections between land, animals, and people. We know that enjoyment of green space, access to local food and opportunities in the agricultural sector are not equal, and we are committed to addressing this imbalance in our work. We appreciate that everyone has skills, experience, and assets to share, which is why we base our approach on co-design and delivery. We also recognise that inequalities exist in our city, which is why target our work at those experiencing mental ill-health, disadvantage and/or marginalisation.

We believe that we can have a greater impact by working with other people that are experts in their field, or rooted in their community. This is why we have developed our 'Space to Grow' Partnership Programme.

What we offer...

One-off event space



12 week workshop space



12/24 month Residencies



Collaboration Opportunities



**Our Vision is a future where
communities grow, green
spaces flourish, and together we
thrive.**



Who can apply...

We welcome applications from not-for-profit groups including: community groups, charities, CIC's and individuals with a small social impact project.

All of our partners must share our vision: "a future where communities grow, green spaces flourish, and together we thrive". We will give priority to:

- those whose activities are land-based, strengthen connections between land, animals and people, and nourish communities by sharing local, seasonal food together; and
- those who engage people underrepresented in green space and the agricultural sector and those who support people experiencing mental ill-health, disadvantage and/or marginalisation

It is vital that applicants actively consider equality, diversity and inclusion in their work.

Additional requirements for those applying for a 12/24 month Residencies:

- Organisation readiness: You will need to have a bank account in your organisation's name, a constitution or memorandum of association and a board or management committee of at least three unrelated people.
- Good governance: before you start, we will require risk assessments, evidence of your Safeguarding Policy and public liability insurance.
- Clear objectives: we ask you to measure the impact of their work (St Werburghs City Farm Can help set this up).



Who can't apply...

- Groups that duplicate what the Farm already offers (see our [Operation Plan](#))
- Activities that do not support the Farm's vision, aims or go against our values
- Individuals / activities that are not social impact focused, such as Birthday parties
- Schools, Nurseries/Pre-schools, Universities etc
- Individuals or groups outside Bristol
- Local authorities
- Politically focused orgs/groups
- Sole traders of those that will create profit for private distribution
- Faith Organisations may apply, as long as there is a clear benefit to the local community and not just to those of a particular faith.
- Those who wish to put on fundraising event for their specific project - we reserve the right to use Farm sites for Farm Fundraising events.

Type of Spaces we have available

We have a range of spaces available to accommodate for a number of needs and activities. From classrooms, kitchens and meeting rooms to a Community Building and our magical Boiling Wells Woodland, with outdoor amphitheatre, roundhouse, outdoor kitchen, larch barn, cob pizza oven, fire circle, sculptures, paths and wildlife.



Boiling Wells Woodland



Volunteer Room



Education Room



Community Building



Boiling Wells Amphitheatre

To explore our different spaces, visit www.swcityfarm.co.uk/services/spaces-for-hire and consider the dates/times you would like to run your project.



Training Kitchen and Classroom

Type of Partnership

March

June

September

December

One-off event space



Low-cost space for one-off events or regular activities (for up to 12 weeks).

Application deadline is the **1st March** for May, June and July activities.

Low-cost space for one-off events or regular activities (for up to 12 weeks).

Application deadline is the **1st June** for August, Sept and Oct activities.

Low-cost space for one-off events or regular activities (for up to 12 weeks).

Application deadline is the **1st September** for Nov, Dec and Jan activities.

Low-cost space for one-off events or regular activities (for up to 12 weeks).

Application deadline is the **1st December** for Feb, March and April activities.

12 week workshop space



Low-cost site hire could be followed by the development and submission of a 12 or 24 month Residency application.

12/24 month Residencies



Application deadline is the **1st September** for Residencies starting in January.

Collaboration Opportunities



Opportunities to collaborate may arise at any time of the year depending on the Farm's priorities, need of the community, gaps in our provision and our capacity.

We will identify collaborative partners by **end of December** to start in April.

Ensure you apply with enough time for us to consider your application and, if successful, allows you sufficient time to prepare and plan your project before you start delivering.

One-off event
space



12 week workshop
space



Low-cost Space Hire

We know that sometimes, you just need a warm, accessible space to make a big impact. We offer our chosen partners a low-cost rate which covers utilities and overheads, health and safety requirements and support from our Services Operational Manager to ensure your activity/project runs smoothly. We will always try to work with our chosen partners to find a price that you can afford, whilst ensuring that the Farm is not out of pocket, and that our Partnership Programme is sustainable.

Applications will be looked at quarterly with deadlines on the 1st of June, September, December, and March. With successful applicants able to begin running sessions two months after the deadline they applied to.

12 or 24 month Residencies

We welcome fledgling organisations that share our vision to use our sites to develop their activities for their community. We understand that to pilot a new idea or a new way of working, you may need more than 12 weeks. That is why we offer a 12 or 24 month Residency so you have Space to Grow!

Application deadline is the 1st of September. We assess applications and notify successful partners no later than 1st October, in view of them starting January the following year, running for 12 to 24 months.

12/24 month Residencies



Collaborations

We welcome collaborations with organisations who share our values and want to work together, sharing funding, skills, resources etc to maximise our impact for the community. Together we may be stronger!

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Terms and Conditions:

All successful partners must complete a Partnership Agreement, agreeing to follow our Risk Assessments, Policies and cleaning systems.

We will ask you to share your impact with us so we know if our Space to Grow programme is effective. We will also ask every group to pay a contribution towards utilities, giving you the best price for accessing a space, but ensuring that the Farm is not out of pocket.

Examples of past activities we have supported include:

- Pan-African cooking courses for migrant woman
- English language and cooking opportunities for recently arrived Refugees
- Art classes for women experiencing isolation and mental-ill health
- Woodland and nature connection activities for LGBTQ+ communities
- Outdoor youth activities for urban young people who experience inequality

How to apply...

For more information or to apply, head to our website, www.swcityfarm.co.uk/partnerships

If you want to partner with us but feel that these options don't quite suit your idea, please drop us an email on community@swcityfarm.co.uk and we will see if we can help.