



# Cable Community Farm

## 2021 Annual Report

**mission: grow food. build community.**

The vision of the Cable Community Farm is that our community has abundant access to affordable, healthy food and that our farm is a hub for learning and growing. We value sustainability, inclusivity, and collaboration.



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# Letter from the Executive Director

It's been a true pleasure to be welcomed by such a talented and vibrant growing community in my first year as the Executive Director for the Cable Community Farm. I am deeply grateful for every gardening tip, book recommendation, helping hand, and funky veggie gift offered to me along the way.

Despite some growing pains, 2021 saw its share of wins for the farm. With the help of our supporters, we were able to successfully *update the irrigation system* of the **Community Garden** and **Growing Together Garden** with the implementation of an in-ground pipe system. The **Growing Together Garden** produced over *2,500 pounds of organic produce* to share with the community. In partnership with the Bayfield Apple Company, we began the *restoration of the Community Orchard* and with just a little pruning, the **Community Vineyard** was brought back to life.

In 2022, we look forward to building up *new partnerships*, strengthening our *community outreach*, and—of course—coming together to nourish ourselves and our loved ones with the *growth of healthy food*.

In gratitude,

*Cheyenne Reeves*



## 2021 Board of Directors

Tony Erba, Katie Hancock, Kathy Teasdale, Mollie Krebs-Mertig, Liz Schneller, Greg Townsend, Candis Hankins

## Vegetable of the Year

2021 was the year of winter squash.

The Cable Community Farm distributed over 1,000 packets of **Carnival Squash** seeds along with planting, harvesting, and prepping instructions throughout the community in honor of our annual **Vegetable of the Year** campaign.

Special thank you to **Mimi Crandall** for creating a beautiful watercolor, "Dressed Up for a Party, Carnival Squash" and to every **Local Business Hero** that supported this year's campaign.





## Growing Food



Over **50 plots** were tended by community gardeners between the **Community Garden, Hoop House, and Downtown Garden**. Community gardeners represent **over 60 households** growing their own food!



More than **2,500 pounds** of organic produce from the **Growing Together Garden** was donated to the **Cable Area Food Shelf, Free Food Mondays**, and sold at local area **farmers markets**.



Dedicated **volunteers** spent **hundreds of hours** this summer assisting in the **Growing Together Garden**, maintaining up-keep in the **Community Garden**, representing the farm at the **farmers market**, and *so much more!*

## Building Community



The 2nd Annual **Get Outside for Local Food Challenge** was held early May in support of local outdoor recreation and restaurants. The farm also hosted a booth at the 2021 **Cable Area Fall Fest** and participated in the **Fourth of July Parade**.



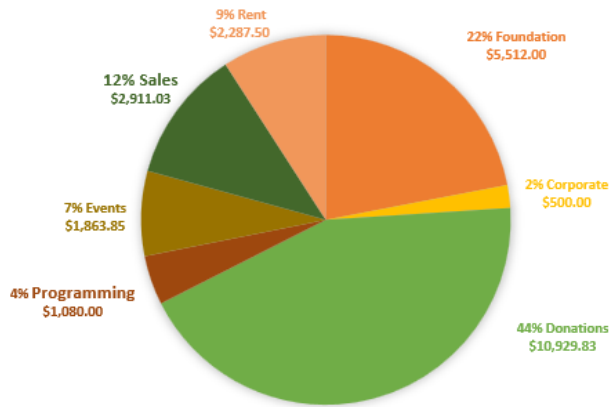
The **Cable Natural History Museum** hosted an agricultural themed **Junior Naturalist** event at the Cable Community Farm mid-summer. The program included hands-on educational activities on topics such as seed starting and pollinators.



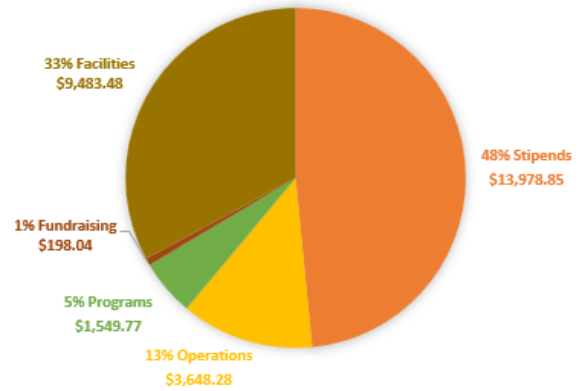
The "**Turnip Award**" and "**Rooster Awards**" were presented at the farm's **Annual Harvest Dinner** as community gardeners celebrated the close to another growing season.

# Financial Reports

## Income



## Expenses



**Total Support and Revenue: \$25,084.21**

## Thank You to our Supporters!

### 2021 Local Business Heroes

Brush and Bucket Painters  
Rondeau's Shopping Center  
Brick House Café  
Cable Natural History Museum  
Start Line Inn  
Northern Native Plantscapes  
Hayward Community Credit Union  
McKinney Realty  
Cable Lumber & Home  
Redbery Books.

### 2021 Grants and Foundation Support

American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation  
Pat and Sue Quinn Recreation Fund of the Eau Claire  
Community Foundation  
SeedMoney  
Walmart Foundation

### 2021 Project Leaders

Jim & Kathy Teasdale/Community Garden  
Committee | Community Garden  
Liz Schneller | Growing Together Garden  
Greg Townsend | Community Vineyard &  
Orchard  
Aaron & Laura Piehl | Downtown Garden  
Kevin Wurster | Community Apiary

**Thanks for a Great Season!**