

New York State Community Gardens Task Force Meeting Agenda

April 12, 2023
12:00 – 3:00 PM

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10B Airline Drive, Albany NY 12235, Apple Orchard Empire Conference Room

Shirley A. Chisholm State Office Building, 55 Hanson Place, Brooklyn NY

Rural Health Network of SCNY, 455 Court Street, Binghamton, NY 13904

Elaine M. Panty Branch Library, 820 Tonawanda St, Buffalo, NY 14207

215 Lyman Hall, Syracuse NY 13210

57 Myrtle Hill Park, Rochester NY 14606

201 Pondfield Rd, Bronxville, NY 10708

142 Blair Road, Bombay NY 12914

115 Broadway, Newburgh NY 12550

389 Broadway St., Buffalo, NY, 14213

45 Pembroke Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215

Community Gardens Task Force Mission: To identify and develop ways to encourage state agencies, municipalities and private parties to establish and expand community gardens and the activities conducted by such gardens.

Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Richard Ball, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Deputy Commissioner Nicole Leblond, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Approval of Minutes from Meetings II and III

Deputy Commissioner Nicole Leblond, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Briefing on State's Proposed Executive Budget

Kelly Young, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Discussion Part I: Resources Dashboard

Taylor Goodell, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Discussion Part II: Soil Testing Initiative

Kendall Hough, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Break

Light refreshments will be served, but feel free to pack and enjoy a more substantial lunch for this time if you desire. To reduce single use materials, we will no longer provide water bottles, so please bring a refillable glass or bottle for beverages.

Discussion Part III: Leadership Certification Initiative

Kelly Young, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Discussion Part IV: Protecting Community Garden Land

Daniel Whitehead, *NYS Department of Conservation*

Next Steps

Taylor Goodell, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Kendall Hough, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*

Closing Remarks

Commissioner Richard Ball, *NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets*