

June 2021

# Mariandale HOPE COMMUNITY GARDENS



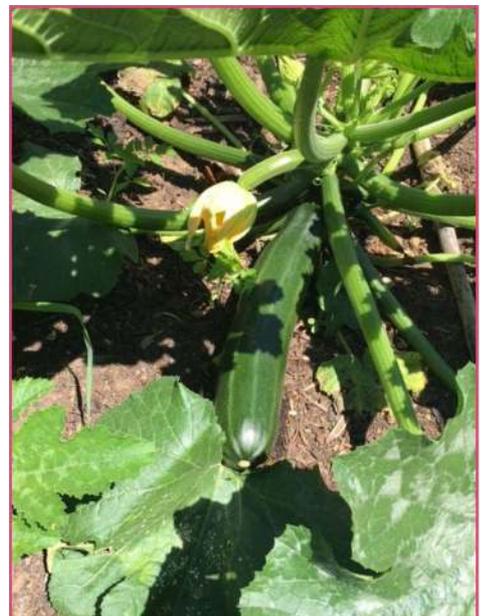
Here we are quickly approaching July 2021, a welcomed change from the darkness and gloom of the Covid-19 pandemic. A year of quarantine and dismay, we turn to the colorful and lush veggies, fruits, flowers and herbs prospering from our Community Hope Gardens. Take a gander at what's growing; radishes, cabbage, zucchini, potatoes, a glimpse of some peaches right off the tree. Additional fruits & vegetables not pictured are pears, fresh herbs like parsley, cilantro and mint... Take a walk through and you to can take in the sights and the fresh scents of summer 😊



Radishes



Cabbage

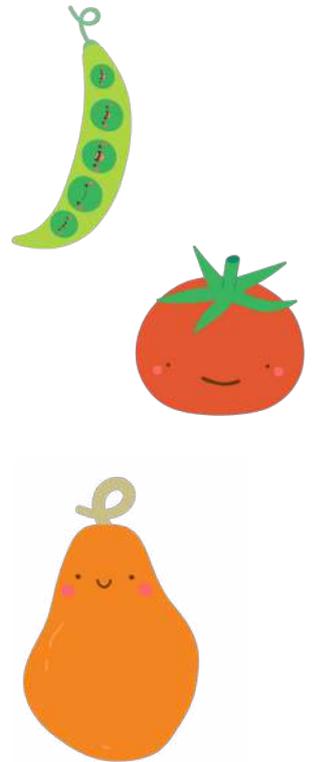
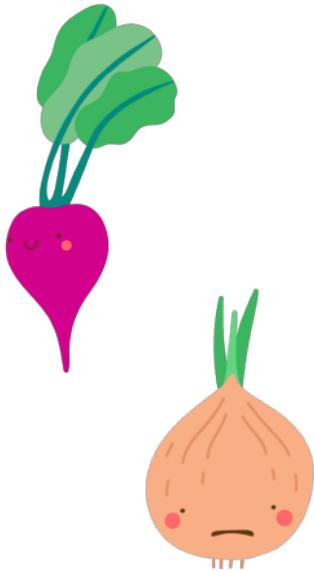


Zucchini

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Left: Sr. Bette Ann,  
Center: Janet Morra,  
Right: Sue Broat



Thanks to Sr. Bette Ann, Sue Broat our Master Gardener and Janet Morra, our creative and well-experienced Head Volunteer, we get to be spoiled with a spectrum of nature's bounty. For anyone who has not had the opportunity to visit the garden, please feel free to say hello to these 3 lovely and talented gardeners. Thankfully we have also had the opportunity to welcome new volunteers from all walks of life; from highschool to home-makers with two things in common: Gardening & Community building!

It has been educational as well as enlightening to see how much love and care is needed from start of seed to harvest. Mariandale Hope Community Gardens donates each week to Fred's Pantry in Peekskill, NY. There is no better feeling than to know that we have created healthy, nourishing foods to well-deserving families in need.

If you should know anyone interested in volunteering please feel free to e-mail Kathy D'Amore as we are always interested in further enriching and cultivating new relationships. Community building is crucial and a great way to bond with Mariandale followers and retreatants alike.



Poppy Flowers



Potatoes



Welsh Poppy



Peach Tree