FARMER WANTED

A unique, urban farm just east of downtown Atlanta has been in operation for 24 years. We’ve had five adventurous farmers and are now looking for our next farm collaborator! We welcome applications from farmers, non-profits, educational programs, collectives, and incubators.

We are offering -

- 1-½ acres of crop space
- Three water sources: pond, well, and county water
- Established infrastructure with an irrigation system, 2 pole barns, a heated greenhouse, 2 high tunnels, 2 walk-in coolers, 3 sheds, a Kubota tractor, a BCS 2-wheel tractor, tools & implements
- Annual farm plan from the current farmer
- An in-town Atlanta location that is a great source of customers, workers, and volunteers
- An annual budget and a committee to support you and your farming endeavor
- And a 2-year lease for this operation at $1 per year (Yes, that’s right: $1 per year!)

The next farmer will have -

- organic farming experience
- willingness to try something unique to build your operation with our support
- willingness to work with our intentional community committed to sustainability, diversity, and affordability

It will be helpful but not required -

- to have experience with CSA (Community Supported Agriculture)
- to have a social side to their personality
- to be computer and media-savvy
Open House - Sunday, July 18th, 2021  
RSVP to Karen at karenminvielle@gmail.com

Rain date: Sunday, August 1

1pm - Sign-in & tour the East Lake Commons co-housing community
2pm - Gaia Gardens farm tour by current farmer, Joe Reynolds of Love Is Love Farm
3pm - Discussion of this opportunity with a Q&A session
4pm - Meet & Greet with East Lake Commons residents

* All activities are masked and physically distanced.

Our goal is to announce our next farmer in September 2021 and have the new farmer(s) take the reins on January 1, 2022.

Note: The East Lake Commons community, which owns Gaia Gardens, will be reconsidering and possibly restructuring the farm during this 2-year lease so starting with the 2024 lease, it may be similar or very different than it is now.

If you are interested in applying for this rare opportunity, send a personal statement and resume to farmersearch@eastlakecommons.org by July 18th, 2021 and plan to attend the Open House.

Questions? Text Karen at 404.725.1310 or email karenminvielle@gmail.com

At East Lake Commons, we don’t just accept difference — we celebrate it, we thrive on it, and we support it for the benefit of our residents, our work partners, and the greater Atlanta community. We seek applications from traditionally marginalized communities including people of color, LGBTQ people, and immigrants.

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