



## What is the Delaware Urban Farm and Food Coalition?

The mission of the Delaware Urban Farm and Food Coalition (DEUFFC) is to support community-oriented urban agricultural projects that expand healthy food access in Northern Delaware and brings together resources and technical assistance through a collaborative approach to urban farming.



## Our Vision

- Improve access to fresh, nutritious, locally-grown food
- Foster healthier, sustainable communities
- Support a strengthened regional agricultural system
- Provide hands-on, experiential education
- Connect people to the source of their food
- Purpose vacant lands and mentor ownership

## The DEUFFC is a Partnership

- Local Farmers
- Community Gardeners
- The Delaware Center for Horticulture
- University of Delaware Cooperative Extension
- Delaware Department of Agriculture
- Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
- Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids
- Nemours Health and Prevention Services
- Wilmington Area Planning Council
- New Castle Conservation District
- First State R, C and D Council, and more...



*Local Foods Grow Healthy Communities*



**Get Involved** Through our committees, the Delaware Urban Farm and Food Coalition (DEUFFC) works to expand the growing of fruits and vegetables in and near urban areas of northern Delaware. We seek to improve access to healthy foods for those who currently don't have wide access. And we provide information on healthy eating. Contact Ann Mattingly, Director of Programs, the Delaware Center for Horticulture and DEUFFC Chair for more information [amattingly@thedch.org](mailto:amattingly@thedch.org), 302-658-6262.



### *Education and Marketing Committee*

We work to identify materials and allies with educational resources to build upon them. We also assist with internal communication.

**Success!** In response to community need we've created new publications and training focused on urban growing.

**Get involved!** Contact Ruth Arias - [rarias@thedch.org](mailto:rarias@thedch.org)

### *Governance Committee*

We develop and propose guidance documents for the DEUFFC.

**Success!** Each year our committee revisits the DEUFFC mission and vision, structure, leadership, and membership.

**Get involved!** Contact Rick Mickowski - [rick.mickowski@state.de.us](mailto:rick.mickowski@state.de.us)



### *Food Policy Committee*

We work on policy issues and advocacy, and serve as a liaison to the City of Wilmington on urban agriculture activities.

**Success!** We've worked together with the City of Wilmington to create and advance a water access framework to suggest equitable access to water for urban agriculture projects.

**Get involved!** Contact Sarah Lester - [slester@westsidegrows.org](mailto:slester@westsidegrows.org)

### *Community Gardens Committee*

We serve to connect new and existing community gardens to a variety of resources.

**Success!** We're creating a school and community garden tool kit for new and existing gardens in Delaware.

**Get involved!** Contact Randi Novakoff [rnovakoff@wilmaco.org](mailto:rnovakoff@wilmaco.org) or Ruth Arias [rarias@thedch.org](mailto:rarias@thedch.org).



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