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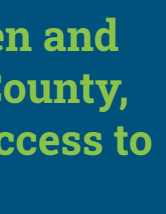




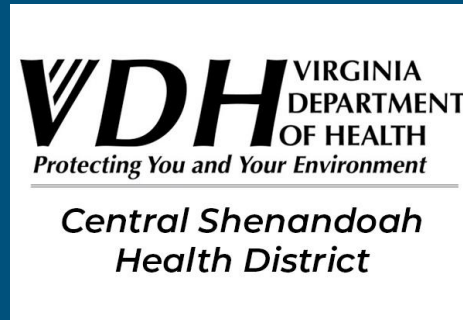
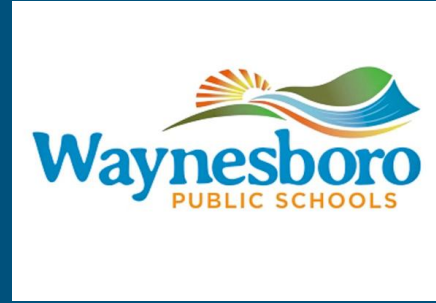
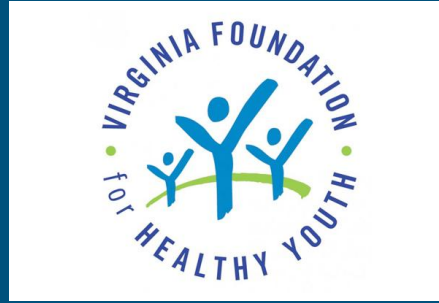
We believe all youth deserve a  
healthy life and future

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**Project GROWS** is an educational, nonprofit organization with a **mission** to improve the health of children and youth in Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County, Virginia, through garden-based education and access to healthy food.



# How is Project GROWS addressing food insecurity during COVID-19?





Food Production

Food Distribution



Online Food Education

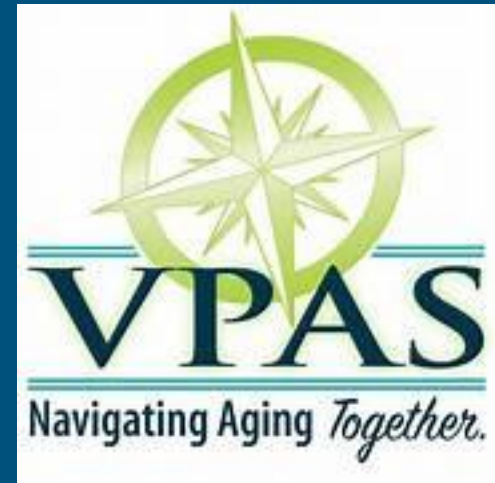


Farmer's Markets

# Fresh Food Box Initiative

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- Supplying food to low income senior citizens in our community
- <https://www.wmra.org/post/project-grow-s-addresses-shifting-food-insecurity>



# Boys & Girls Club

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- Soon, produce sales for weekly Friday distribution at both Club locations
- Summer video series: feature Club staff to encourage healthy eating



# Staunton City Schools

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~2,700 meals per day

- Twice a week produce delivery
- Twice a week on-the-ground staffing support
- Recipes & nutritional Information





# Harvest of the Month

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Emphasizing one veggie per month:

- Recipes
- QR code linking to video
- Signs of Spring series
- How to harvest it
- How to cook with it

[www.projectgrows.org/blog](http://www.projectgrows.org/blog)

(See Episode 4!)





# Waynesboro Public Schools

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- Produce sales starting soon
- Harvest of the Month

The landscape of food insecurity is changing rapidly before our eyes.



# Farmer's Markets

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- Farmers Markets have shifted to online ordering/curbside pickup
- Still accepting and doubling SNAP/EBT!



# Taste of Spring Plant Sale

- Ordering begins TOMORROW! SNAP/EBT accepted.

## Project GROWS Plant Sale

Vegetables, Flowers, & Herbs



**ONLINE ORDERING OPENS  
MAY 2nd**

**DRIVE-THROUGH PICKUP  
MAY 8th**

<https://projectgrows.luluslocalfood.com>

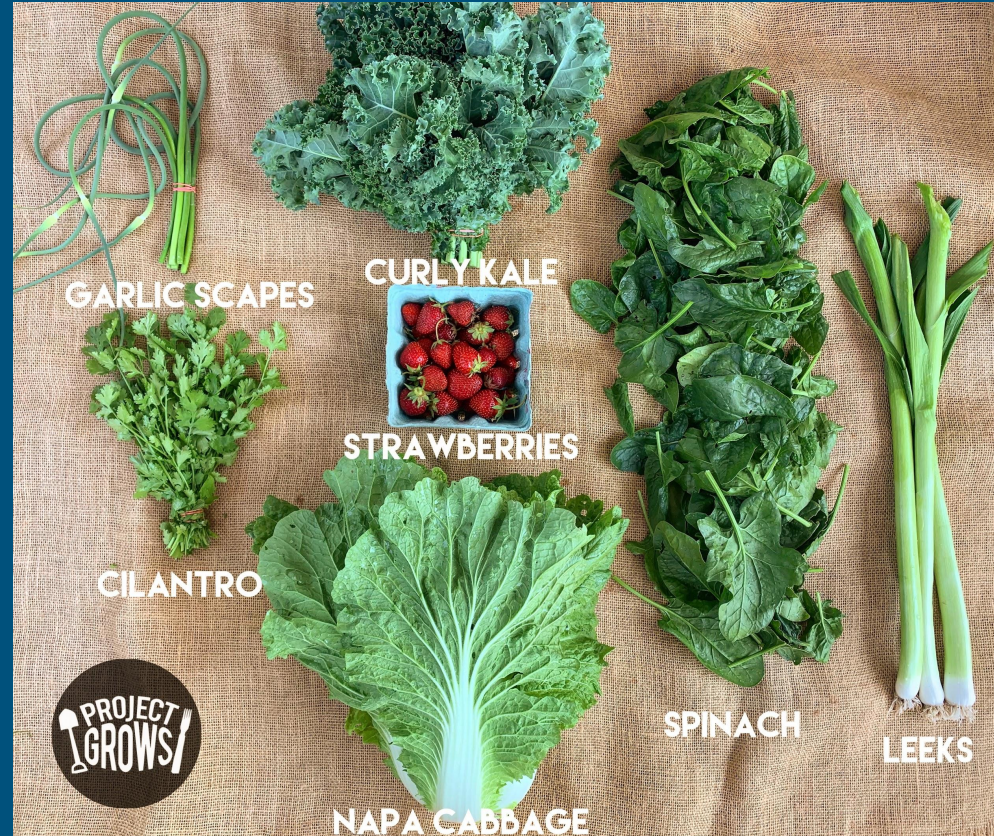


# Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA)

28 shares this year!

**Augusta Health Faith Community** purchased 4 shares from us again this year for distribution to churches in their network, including Ebenezer Baptist Church

- <https://www.wmra.org/post/project-grows-addresses-shifting-food-insecurity>
- <http://ebenezerbaptistchurchstaunton.com/news.html>



# Community Garden Requests

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- We continue to receive weekly requests for help to begin community gardens!
- While we can't help everyone, we are partnering with AMI to offer a free webinar in a few weeks with resources and guidance for those interested in starting a community garden.

# Needs at this time

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- Printing: Recipes for Staunton City School students to go along with produce deliveries
- Summer Internships: Encourage college students to apply! Remote work and in-person work available.

<https://www.projectgrows.org/get-involved/internships-jobs/>



**Questions?**



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