



TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN COMMITTEE

ELIHU THOMSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
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Members of Seaside Cooperative Garden,

Thank you for creating a community garden for Swampscott. The Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee is very excited that an important goal in our plan is being completed by your group.

Community gardens are a great way to bring members of the community together to accomplish common goals. Community gardens provide valuable education on how to grow food, healthy food options to residents, and a lifelong appreciation of fruits and vegetables for the residents of Swampscott.

Community gardens also protect precious open space in towns. They provide a positive environmental impact and reduce the effects of climate change. Residents also benefit from a deeper connection to their natural environment and further strive to protect it.

As the Chair of the Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee, I put forth our complete support your creation of a community garden in Swampscott. Please let us know how we can help in any way.

Sincerely,

Tania Lillak, Chair
Open Space & Recreation Plan Committee