Dear Friends,

In 2020, like the rest of the world, we were called on to adapt. With guidance from national, state and local public health agencies, we adapted our policies. We were able to keep our trainees employed during the COVID pandemic, and no one at HGP contracted the virus. I heard often from trainees how much it meant to still be employed during this uncertain time. Months later, their appreciation stands out to me as I reflect on HGP’s most significant accomplishments of 2020.

We scaled back our community volunteer program for much of the year for safety reasons. We missed our greater volunteer community! Volunteers are at the heart of the change we aim to make in our community, so adapting our approach to continue to include as many volunteers as possible was a key goal!

Through donations, CSA membership, event attendance and thoughtful engagement, our community showed their care. I’m grateful to each of you for your support. Our CSA sold out early, and we created a waiting list. Community members filmed, promoted, presented and attended our adapted Sustain-in-Place events. We received notes of support, reminding us that you are there. Our online store sales boomed—we brought in 2500% of our goal! We received your generous financial gifts.

It was wonderful to see our guests at the farm last October, after our long separation. 2020 gave us wisdom for adapting through pandemics, wildfire and drought, and awareness of the need for tending our community. Experience shows that resilience and healing take root and flourish at the farm. I hope that reviewing our 2020 accomplishments inspires you to continue with us as we tend to life’s flourishing.

Sincerely,
Darrie Ganzhorn

--Layli Long Soldier

“I give, knowing that my offering is one of many. What is the opposite of impotent? Capable, potent, or powerful. What is the most powerful thing I can think of? The sun. Its light. Look at its power to reflect in incalculable directions, in the darkest places.”
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Over 14,000 paid trainee hours

Between 2014 and 2020, on average, 97% of graduates got into jobs or a steady source of income;

In the same period, 90% of graduates got into housing

Cody

I was able to be engaged in what the Project staff were teaching me in the workshop every day, and it helped keep me clean and sober. My partner—who is also an employee here at HGP—and I, were able to pool our funds and finally get ourselves a place to live! And after over five years of living in a car, we actually have a place to live and pay rent.

Read Cody’s talk, *Living Up to the Memory of My Parents* [here](#).
“In the six months I've worked here, I've progressed a lot. I'm sober, I have my kids back, I have a car, I have housing—all accomplished while showing up at and enjoying work. I can now include this job on my resume. I enjoy sharing my progress with my coworkers at circle meeting. I've been clean for 11 months. Exactly a year ago today, I never would have imagined I could be in this place now.”

“The staff here is very clear about their purpose: to prepare people to transition to another job and out of homelessness. I never had a job that helped me prepare for life in such a positive way.”

Read Jenn’s whole talk, Exactly a year ago today, I never would have imagined I could be in this place now here.
Our 2020 CSA Season sold out!

66
CSA members

30
Feed 2 Birds shares

Over 20,000
pounds of organic produce harvested
We started the year strong with volunteers! During shelter-in-place, we suspended our volunteer program, except for social workers and cooks. We miss our volunteers--dedicated, generous people—and look forward to welcoming them back.

During 2020, 501 people volunteered at HGP, contributing 3,431 hours in the store, cooking meals, providing regular social work support to our trainees.
“Being a social worker at the HGP has allowed me to work with individuals who are often overlooked by society because of the stigma surrounding poverty in our country. Seeing these individuals show up to work day in and out with smiles on their faces gives me hope. People do not become un-housed because they choose to. For many, it is a life-changing event. It is not a secret that once you lose your housing, your safety net, it is much harder to obtain what has been lost. The trainees’ resilience is admirable...”

—Meredith Flores, MSW intern at HGP

Read more about our Our Beloved 2020-2021 Social Work Team and our social work program here. 
Thank you to our loyal customers! During 2020, the online store came alive and we brought in 2500% of our goal!

Over 1,600 candles sold

Over 1,000 bath & body products sold (salves, lotions, soaps, bath teas, lip balms)

Over 4,500 food products sold (baking mixes, seasonings, vinegars, jellies/jams, teas)

Over 160 flower arrangements/wreaths sold

E-COMMERCE

1,404 orders in 2020 compared to 117 orders in 2019

RE-MODEL

Thanks to the generous support of Marc Susskind and MS Builders, the HGP Store got a beautiful face lift just before the holiday season, with a fresh coat of paint and new built-in shelving
Our leadership creates opportunities for the growth and health of our trainees, and for advancing strategy to address homelessness in our culture.

Staff
Darrie Ganzhorn  
Executive Director
Claude Rosen  
Operations Director
Paul Goldberg  
Development Director
Mary Reyes  
Business Manager
Hannah Meade  
Administrative Assistant
Ella Fleming  
Farm Manager
Angie Smith  
Value Added Enterprise Manager
Evan Jones  
Program Manager
Atalanta Kyraazi  
Volunteer Manager
Mike Erickson  
Crop Production Manager
Don Lessard  
Weekend Steward
Brenda Deckman  
Workshop Assistant
Mona Stevenson  
Retail Assistant
GP Wakefield  
Retail Assistant

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as of July 15, 2020
2019 Operating Income

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*77% of the Government income is from PPP forgiveness program*

2019 Operating Expenses

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financials
Our donors are true partners in this work, making work possible with their financial contributions. We’re deeply grateful for this partnership!

One donor writes: I’m grateful for the hope-filled emails and the knowledge that our vulnerable community members are being looked after, respected and viewed as part of the solution. It warms my heart.
Jeanne Andrews
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Jessica Lacy
Jill Barsby
Jill & William Duran
Jim Cockrell
Joan & Bill Dunn
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If you have already included the Homeless Garden Project in your estate plans, thank you! Please contact Paul Goldberg, paulg@homelessgardenproject.org so that you can enjoy the benefits of being a member of our Perennial Legacy Circle.
In 2020, we learned again how much we rely on and cherish the special people in our lives. Tribute gifts honor or remember people who have made a difference to our donors, or mark special milestones.

Patricia Houts in honor of all the moms out there who keep us fed and nourished may we share the gift. Thank you mom (Kristin) and in memory of Jean John Russell. In honor of Ann Russell Michelhas Bischoff in honor of Barbara and John Bischoff, Bunny Moeller, Jamie Moeller and Anna Bischoff Ellen Farmer in honor of Betsy Linscott Bebe Eckert in honor of Brenda Deckman Valerie Gresham in honor of Bruce and Barbara Holman Alan Strickberg in honor of Cara Fian Ambrose and Michele Pollock in honor of Carolina Bayne Jeffrey Loe in honor of Claudia Burgin Sarah Mills in honor of Cynthia Kent-Mills Akif Uzman and Amy Sater in honor of Darrie Ganchorn

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In memory of Pete Biocini

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Always there is something worth saying, about glory, about gratitude.”

—Mary Oliver