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**January 2024**

*New Leaf Foods, Inc. supports the health and well-being of the people of Greater Green Bay by promoting healthy food access and education and by cooperating throughout Northeast Wisconsin to build a thriving local food system in a clean environment.*

## SeedMoney Campaign

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you who supported or donated to our SeedMoney campaign. Because of your incredible generosity, we raised \$2,675 for our Community Orchards project and won a pizza oven for future fundraising!



With these funds, we will be able to purchase a variety of plants and trees, including fruit-bearing trees, that will be donated and installed at public sites for the community's enjoyment and future use. These community orchards will provide not only fresh, healthy produce but also serve as gathering places where people can come together, share knowledge, and build relationships. We are deeply grateful for your support and your belief in this project. Together, we are making a positive impact on our community and the environment. Thank you again!

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**NEW Food Forum Regional Action Plan**



On Thursday, Dec 7th, NEW Food Forum members met at the UWGB STEM Center to celebrate the northeast WI Regional Food Action Plan wrap-up. Members discussed the plan's accomplishments and takeaways while brainstorming opportunities for growth and collective action in our local food system.

The action plan's goals included the development of a seed library, establishing a baseline of understanding healthy food access, increasing knowledge and awareness of healthy food access, and others.

Read more about the plan here: <https://newleaffoods.org/regional-food-action-plan-1>  
About the NEW Food Forum: <https://newleaffoods.org/about-new-food-forum>

## Articles, Recipes, Updates!

### Potato and Cheddar Cheese Soup

Time: 1 Hour Yield: 4 Servings



Make it!

### MLK Jr. Day of Service

The Green Bay Conservation Corps is hosting an event on January 15th, 2024, to celebrate MLK Day, a National Day of Service for Americorps. The event will have 3 parts; Volunteer Service Project, Keynote Speaker, and Social Hour.

Volunteer

### Winter Markets

If you're looking for ways to get out

### Ethnic Grocery

Downtown Green Bay - From

of the house this winter but can't seem to find any events, consider attending one of the winter farm markets in Green Bay. The full list of farm markets regularly changes on our website, so check back!

[Learn More](#)

Southeast Asian to Mexican to African markets, these local gems provide flavors from around the world and let us celebrate the growing diversity of our community.

[Read More](#)

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## Brown County Seed Library



The Brown County Seed Library's most recent Seed Packing event had a large attendance of amazing volunteers who were able to pack 3,640 seed packets for the community. Help us beat this number by volunteering at future Seed Packing events: <https://newleaffoods.org/events>

The Brown County Seed Library provides seeds that are free of charge to anyone interested in planting vegetables, fruits, and pollinator-friendly plants. Seed donations and monetary donations to purchase seeds are needed to fill the Seed Library cabinet. They also provide educational programs to encourage seed-savers to help replenish the collection for others.

Learn More: <https://newleaffoods.org/brown-county-seed-library>

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## Upcoming Events & Calendar

January

15

MLK Jr. Conservation  
Corps Day of Service

2:00pm - 5:30pm

January

20

Brown County Seed  
Library Seed Packing

9:30am - 3:00pm

January

27

Community Seed Swap &  
National Seed Swap Day

10:00am - 12:00pm

January

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The Seed Library's Winter  
Seed Sowing Workshop

1:00pm - 3:00pm

[Click here to view all upcoming events.](#)

## Volunteer Spotlight: Margaret Gerhard

This month's volunteer spotlight is on Margaret Gerhard, also known as Mother Nature. Margaret is an artist, teacher, student, dreamer, and beekeeper who is committed to environmental sustainability through artistic recycling. She has supported New Leaf Foods' purpose for over a decade, most recently cutting the vine to open the Brown County Seed Library. She guided our seed art activity. She provided raspberry and blackberry plants to our "Bountiful Branches" project, as well as prepared flower arrangements for our events.



Margaret has done so much for New Leaf Foods and the community. To list a few, she:

- Planted, harvested, packaged, and donated plants and seeds.
- Recruited volunteers and donated materials.
- Made scarecrows and benches.
- Taught workshops and gave presentations.
- Made and delivered floral arrangements to seniors.
- Made COVID masks for volunteers.
- Established pollinator prairie.
- Worked with the city council to establish ordinances to allow yard gardening.

Thank you, Margaret, for all you do for our community! Join Margaret/Mother Nature for the Brown County Seed Library Launch on March 2, 2023, at the Brown County Central Library in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

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