



Annabel's Victory Garden

20<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary

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Annabel's Victory Garden has received funding from the following foundations and trusts making the garden and the Kids Grow & Cook program possible, and by people like you who support the garden's vision. **Please consider making a donation to PBI keeping the garden teaching!**

**Hudson River Bank Trust Foundation** supporting the construction of the garden in 2020, & 2021 programming

**Ghent Wood Products** supporting the 2020 construction with the in-kind fabrication of the beautiful gate & fence spindles

**NoVo Foundation** supporting 2020 and 2021 programming

**The Hortense and Louis Ruben Community Health Fund** supporting 2021 programming

**The Ferguson Family Charitable Trust** supporting 2021 programming

**The Sylvia Center** donors & contributors, supporting 2021 kids cooking classes & teen internship programming

**PBI donors and contributors** supporting the garden's vision and community collaborations

**Annabel's Victory Garden** began in 2013 as a Girl Scouts Gold Award project by Annabel O'Neill, a 14 year old resident of the Village. That summer, she built four small planting beds and ran weekly workshops teaching kids how to grow and cook. That 1st garden season finished with a large free community dinner held on the parking lot to celebrate Annabel's seasonal success for her project. At that time, PBI and the Co-op made a commitment to her that we would take on expanding the garden as a part of the extensive PBI redevelopment of the Co-op facility, the commercial kitchen and the site renovations. From that summer going forward PBI started our Kids Grow & Cook program held every summer, steadily building partner relations and a track record for funding free food programs offered to kids and families in the village.

Fast forward to the spring of 2020 and the Covid pandemic. It was time for the next phase for Annabel's Garden and the time was right to fulfill our promise to Annabel by creating a Victory Garden to meet the challenges of Covid and our collective belief that access to local and healthy foods for all must be a right, not a privilege, in order to ensure vibrant, healthy, and diverse communities achieve a strengthening of health equity and local resiliency.

We've taken our lead from Annabel's journals and workshops to create a teaching garden for kids & families continuing her vision! We hope you will enjoy it and become involved.

Find the garden at the back of the Philmont Cooperative—116 Main St., Philmont, NY  
contact PBI at [info@pbinc.org](mailto:info@pbinc.org)

## 2021 SEASON

### The Victory Garden's Team

**Lead Gardener** - Taylor Kurtz growing the garden beautifully to meet the PBI's Kids Grow & Cook program vision including to continue the garden's weekly free harvesting to the community.

**Educator-in-Residence** - The Sylvia Center providing a full season April-October of free online cooking classes for kids & families, and a July-August teen internship held in the Philmont Co-op commercial Kitchen.

**Program Partner** - The Philmont Co-op creating a local food system in collaboration with PBI, local farmers, chefs, producers, and customer member-owners.

**Community Liaison Partner** - The Philmont Public Library spearheading educational programs for kids and families projects and hosting the free community veg cooler for harvests.

**Girl Scout Troop 1008** - creating the Floral Tea Garden bed of florals for workshops and harvesting floral artisanal teas.

**If you would like to participate ..... please let us know!**