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MORE THAN A FARM

**'More Than a Farm' Launches
\$500,000 Needed for New**



**Capital Campaign
Building**

CHAGRIN FALLS, OH (Sept. 20, 2021) - More Than a Farm (MTAF), the new conceptual framework for Kelly's Working Well Farm and related initiatives is launching a campaign to raise \$500,000 to construct a new building. MTAF includes a permaculture farm, with a food forest, vegetable gardens, farm animals, and a pavilion for community gatherings. Kelly's Working Well Farm has hosted a self-directed learning cooperative and summer camps, as well as Earth-skills education, and has plans for a farm internship program and more. The farm features community built natural clay and straw structures including a pizza oven and small earthen cottage. MTAF sponsored workshops and community events draw folks from all over northeast Ohio. Visitors call it a "magical" place!

In order to enable our expanding agenda of year-round programming, and support other like-minded community organizations, MTAF is planning to construct a new building. This structure will be designed to allow program participants and community members to:

- easily move between inside and outside, and public and private spaces
- attend yoga classes, movie screenings, mini-concerts, contra-dances and more
- bake a cake, or learn how to make pickles, jam, or even soap
- attend meetings or classes
- hang out with friends, read quietly or relax on a couch in front of a fire
- make art, music and theater

The following organizations and programs will utilize the new building:

- Chagrin Valley Learning Collective: a self directed/community governed program for kids (<https://morethanafarm.org/>)
- The Food Shed (<https://www.thefoodshed-neo.com>)
- A Permaculture Internship program in collaboration with Chagrin Arts (<https://www.chagrinarts.org>)
- Transition Chagrin Valley (including the Northeast Ohio Time Bank)
- KWWF Summer Camp
- Lake Erie Institute (<https://lakeerieinstitute.org>)
- Reeds and Roots (<https://reedsandroots.org>)
- Other community groups

MTAF envisions a place where all of these initiatives work together to create a vibrant center for living and learning in harmony with nature and each other, preparing us to face a challenging future with generosity and grace.

Ways to support MTAF & the related initiatives:

- **Save the date** for our Campaign Launch Event, More Than a Farm and Friends, **Saturday, October 9**
- Donate via [GoFundMe](#)
- Collaborate, invite us to your next event, or participate in our events
- Businesses can sponsor us by helping to finance the campaign
- Volunteer with event planning and execution, marketing, contacting potential donors, etc.
- Spread the word!

2021-2022 Event List:

- More Than a Farm and Friends, Capital Campaign Kick-Off Oct. 9, 3-7
- Holiday Craft Fair
- Spring Gala and Live Auction
- Valleywide all ages Talent Show
- Follow social media for other event announcements
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To learn more about the history of Kelly's Working Well Farm and our vision for its future of collaboration with More than a Farm initiatives and other local organizations check out:

[Morethanafarm.org](#)

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