

For followers and supporters of the Food Shed Co-op - November 18, 2022

1555 OWNERS AND COUNTING!

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Food Shed Co-op Environmental Plans



As you know, one of the Food Shed Co-op's core values is to "champion environmentally responsible practices." We had a chance to talk about some of our sustainable initiatives while representing the co-op at McHenry County College's Green Living Expo.

Once our store is built, not all of the environmentally friendly initiatives will be visible to the eye. Some of the more sustainable choices that we

have made while designing the store will be within the structure itself, some will involve operating activities taking place behind the scenes. However, we hope that all who visit our store will experience, through multiple senses, a difference even before entering the front door.

The parking lot will be connected directly to the bike path that runs between Crystal Lake and Woodstock for easy access to people-powered vehicles. We plan to install two electric car charging stations and we are hoping to get a Pace bus stop added at our corner. As you approach the store, you might be able to see the roof mounted solar panels, but what you won't be able to miss will be the native plantings, rain garden and bioswales, designed to slow, capture, and filter stormwater runoff, and recharge groundwater. The benefit of choosing native plants is that they do not require fertilizers, since they are well adapted to live in the region. They also require fewer pesticides and less watering. Beyond that, the

garden will attract and provide habitat for native wildlife. The Food Shed Co-op is going to be beautiful!

Most appealing of all will be the crown jewel of our landscaping design, The Food Shed Co-op's *Founding Owners' Appreciation Garden*. It will be a community space to be enjoyed by all. Supporters and shoppers will be able to relax on one of the garden benches, smell the blossoms, watch pollinators flitting about.

We need your support. Please join the residents and families who believed in the vision of opening a community-owned grocery store! [BECOME A FOUNDING OWNER NOW.](#)

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We need your support please click [HERE](#) to join our mission.

Events

[Eat, Drink & Be Merry](#)

Sunday, November 27 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Kishwaukee Brewing

1900 Dillard Ct. Woodstock, IL

Come support a local small business and enjoy *Food Vendors, Local Artisans & Craft Brews*. The Food Shed Co-op will have an information table set up and we will be on hand to answer questions, sign up new owners and just hang out. Everyone is welcome.



Help us spread the word about our community owned grocery store by sharing our posts with your followers on social media. And why not [BECOME AN OWNER](#) now?



Mission

Our mission is to build a LOCAL food COOPERATIVE promoting a HEALTHY, ETHICAL and RESILIENT COMMUNITY.

Core Values

- *Promote and foster better food choices*
 - *Cultivate and strengthen our local economy*
 - *Inspire and empower community*
 - *Champion environmentally responsible practices*
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Cooperatively yours,
Food Shed Co-op Board