Farmers looking for land to lease



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31	Ghent area		Additional pasture land for beef (Angus) operation	Angus beef	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Has farmed entire life, leases other farms. Farm started 1957.
44	Ideailly within 2-3 miles of farm on Wiltsie Bridge Road in Ancramdale, but would consider longer distances	100-200, flexible	Business is expanding, so looking for more land to graze cattle on. Currently graze on own land and one rented property.	Raises grass fed beef, which requires significant acreage.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Water is key component, fencing good but can install if it doesn't currently exist.	Has been farming for 9 years. Owns land where farm is based and rents other land for grazing and hay.	

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76	10-15 miles from North Chatham.		Looking for landowner with pasture and infrastructure.	Beef, plus compost & mulch	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Looking for a new base for 15 cows/calf pairs. Looking for landowner to supply farm-he would supply cattle and management and improve land.		Farming for 40 years. Experienced in grazing, composting, beef cattle, grass fed beef
119	The closer to home farm in Ghent the better, though can haul cattle to grazing locations.		Need additional land to hay or graze, currently have 250 head of cattle. Organic land use practices. Soil health will be restored without use of any man-made chemicals.	Black Angus and chickens. Windmill powered ranch, no antibiotics, no hormones, no grain	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Grass fed and grass finished Black Angus Beef and pastured chicken and eggs for 6 yrs.

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188	Ghent area	flexible	Wants to grow and harvest hay on other peoples' lands		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			
207	Columbia Countyflexible	10, at least 5 tillable	Educational farm w/ intentional community component, w/ 6 peers. Want lease to accommodate long-term interest in living sustainably and implementing non-profit educational farm. Minimal rent for free produce, access to material & human resoures		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Structure suitable for housing for 5 people. Need to be able to build in future. Hope to build sustainably-built ecovillage. Access to well, running water, electricity, and a road. No septic, will have composting toilet.	Summer intern for 2 yrs at 3 organic farms. Volunteer exp. For the last 7 mo at local organic farm.	

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208	Flexible	Ideal: 5-10 ac for veggies, 5- 15 ac pasture/fields	Farming couple seeking land for lease, partnership or diversified farming operation. Ideally would have onfarm housing or w/in 15 min drive, but open to various situations.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Open to beginning a solely mixed veggie operation on as few as 2 ac. Existing barns, fencing, greenhouses, irrigation and other ag infrasture a plus. Long term goal to run diversified mixed produce, livestock & grain through local markets.	Dec 2005-June 2008: managed a 6-ac mixed veggie, 180- member CSA farm on a non-profit ed farm. March 2002-Nov 2005: several farming apprenticeships ranging from 200-ac farm to .5-ac farm	In addition to many years organic farming, posses building skills and admin/ organizational skills.
219	Flexible	30-50	Want to actively participate in taking care of the soil and farm animals, and for family to be close to the source of food supply. Would like to introduce Korean health foods such as kimchi and other fermented food products, to the local community.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Family wors on a relative's start-up farm close by, on a regular basis	In past year, have immersed themselves in making firewood, building sheds and fencing, canning, pickling, tapping for syrup, and are raising about 30 chickens (some hatched from setting hen), 2 beehives, and hope to raise other animals.

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230	Flexible	20, depends on type of land, infrastructure, etc	Lease or lease to own situation where current land tenure situation is secure, and will provide continuity into future. Looking to find a situation where a "whole farm" model is possible.	Currently operating a small CSA on leased land and would like to find a more permanent situation, and one that they can expand into perennial crops (fruits, nuts, berries, etc) and small pastured livestock.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Community Land Trust, Hudson Valley Community and Agricultural Land		4 yrs together as partners, and before that several years of other people's farms. One grew up on family farm in N. Idaho on a cattle ranch, other has worked on several farms previously.
240	Closer to Canaan better; would travel farther if close to other leased lands or big property		Make and sell horse hay	Boards horses, 20 beef cows, makes & sells horse hay	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			

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243	NY, closer to western MA	40 for pasture, 40-60 for forage harvest.	Long term for certified organic dairy operation. Have herd of Ayshire, Kerry and a milking Devon cattle. OK with educational programs on farm. Own equipment.	Known for ability to mange farmland, and for milk quality.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Need to be able to certify land organic. Ideally need an existing structure to be milked in immediately or retrofitted to milk cattle. Shelter for cattle desirable. Place to set up bottling/cheese making plant a plus.		Husband 30 yrs experience, wife is cheesemaker and has helped other operations start in NY. Couple has helped to renovate older run-down farms. Known for ability to manage land, and for milk quality
244	Stuyvesant Falls, but will travel		Hay, can make horse hay		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			

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247	Up to 10 miles from farm in Kinderhook, depending on situation		Want additional land for grazing and hay, for operation that raises grass fed beef and sheep from calving/lambing to finished product.	Raise grass fed b and sheep from calving/lambing finished product.	Housing to Fencing	Y			Raised beef cattle & related activities for last 20 years; 5 yrs at present location
271	Columbia County- flexible	25-50	Business plan includes finding long-term lease situation on a dairy farm, buying calves (Jersey), and keeping them to start milking. Additionally, selling some crops. Very experienced in rotational grazing (more profit, better for cows & environment)		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	y	Conservation-minded		Farmed part-time for 25 yrs, raising Jersey calves to breed heifers. Crops, hay, buckwheat, corn, oats and rye. Attended ag college, Coop Ext. seminars.

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276	Columbia County. Also looking for caretaking position in exchange for house, if possible.	8-20 (10 ideal)	Additional pasture for grass-fed Galloways (beef cows). Would like to purchase more animals but need more pasture.	Grass-fed registered belted Galloway farm	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Have experience in all phases of beef farming and caring for the land that supports it.	Willing and able to cut and bail hay, brush cut and neaten hedgerows.
277	Distance from Taghkanic would depend on amount of land.		Additional land for hay crop, or for pasture	Raises draft horses, long horn cattle, bison, chickens, pigs and hay crop.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Grew up on 150-cow dairy, doing all aspects of farming. Moved to own 200 dairy farm.

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286	Ghent area	open	Grazing for beef and/or goatshas some movable fencing	Beef and goats	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Owned farm for 12 years; grew up farming. Raises beef and goats.
300	Flexible	500-1,000 (doesn't have to be contiguous)	Want to contract with local farmers to grow rapeseed and other oil seeds. Runs successful businesses in US & Germany.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	To set up drying, milling, pressing & distilling operations, is interested in renting existing buildings. Oil from operation would be used locally (school buses, etc.)		Not a farmer, but would contract with farmers

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330	Central potion of Columbia County, but flexxible/open	10-20 ac	Create an organic CSA and farm based initiative		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Desired but not limited by infrastructure. Are resourceful and will work with what is available if land has adequate water, soil, and location qualities.	(farmer 1) Grew up on biodynamic farm in Australia. Moved to U.S., worked as apprentice on numerous biodynamic farms. Holds certificate in permaculture design and micro-business management and is founder of Seed and Stone Landscapes. Ran Pleroma Farm	(farmer 2) Worked as farm hand in Europe, Canada, Africa, and U.S. for last 4 yrs. Holds associates degree in entreprenurial mgt., studied on biodynamic farm
347	Flexible. Interested in either setting up a cabin kit or yurt, or else living in some type of housing that is already on the land.	5-100 ac, flexible	Business plan is to have a small organic farm, to preserve food & make products that can be sold, and to offer workshops that educate people about organic farming/gardening, taking care of land, alternative energy, & making items from natural materials		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Plan is adjustable to different situations, and open to different financial situations. Prefer 5-yr lease to start.	Wife has degree in design and marketing and is interested in doing internet and other marketing, and package and sign design for products that come from the farm.	Has been studying and researching about organic farming for over 8 years, but hasn't had the land to begin. Has started a garden each year, has worked for gardening companies, and ran his own landscaping company for 3 years

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351	Distance from Germantown would depend on the size of the parcel	flexible	Looking for additional land to hay. Current operation includes a dairy, hay, and row crops.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Farms and leases about 1,400 acres in the area.	Has been farming with brothers for about 10 years, family has been farming for 4 generations in the same location.
354	New Lebanon area, but flexible	30+ (flexible/tbd)	Additional pasture land for free range pigs and sheep	Free range pigs. Each group of pigs (15-20/group) is rotated in 1/4 to 1/2 acre parcels, which are prepared w/ a forage crop.	Housing Fencing Equipment	Y	Water, fencing (not necessary), barns (not necessary)	Have been farming on their 16 acres for 3 years. Currently leasing an additional 2 acres.	

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366	flexible	40-100	Looking to expand current vegetable operation as well as adding grain production into the crop rotation. Small beef herd would be added to create a fertility source for the crop land.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Would farm with organic and biodynamic methods.	Farmed from 2006 to 2010 on diversified biodynamic farm and has completed first year of his own vegetable CSA.	
382	Flexible	50+	Looking to find land on which to begin a diversifed farm operation (vegetables, grains, beans, beef, pigs, chickens, dairy, hay, etc). On current farm, uses borth tractors and draft horses.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Owns a team of draft horses, as well as horse- drawn equipment. Collaborating with 2 partners who currently run a massage therapy business and are planning to establish clinic on property.	Farming for past 3 years at Essex Farm, a full year CSA in upstate NY that produces veggies, grains, beans, dairy, meat, maple syrup, hay and more. Before that, farming in NY and MO.	Completed an MS in Rural Sociology and Conservation Biology with a focus on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

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397		50-100	300 family CSA, Brooklyn-Manhatten. Distributor and grower of specialty produce, 50 restaurants and clients in NYC and Westchester.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Looking for flat, well drained rockless soil w access to water to expand salad greens operation. Have all special equipment to grow and harvest greens but not enough good soil.	Owner of Upstate Farms 1992 to present. Farmer of Paisleyu Farm 1995 - present. Certified organic 1996-2004.	
403		10+	Has a small herd of 12 beef cows, need a farm arranagement for. Would care for a small farm or would love to help others will ag skills and equipment.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Put up over 10,000 bales for local farmers this year.	Manged and owned family farm Kitchie Bros Dairy for over 30 yrs until farm was made into airport/commerce park. Managed 500 cows at its peak. Rented over 1,000 ac in cropland.	

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407	Flexible	40, flexible	Diverse blend of horticultural plants and livestock.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Woodlot desirable. Will use profits to invest in infrastructure as needed. Long-term plan to invest in agri- tourism projects including seed funding projects.	Attended Hawthorne Valley Learning Center's Holistic Management Class, will attend NOFA beginning women farmers' conference.	
419	Central Columbia County, near Philmont/Ghent	Flexible, min 15 ac	Would like to design and operate an independent or cooperative farm, and create an incubator farm for new farmers in partnership with individuals/organizations concerned with the same issue.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Garden shed useful. Happy to design a system that would meet both landowner's preferences and her own. Option of housing for two people on or near property ideal.	Business planning and animal science degrees, three years farm business planning/marketing	

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435	Flexible, southern Columbia County preferable	40-120, approx	Sheep pasture, and sheepdog trials		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Concave topography (for sheepdog trials), open land, adjacent to trails and/or protected land a plus		
452	Distance and travel would depend on size and quality of land available	no set number	Would like additional pastureland for beef operation and any tillable acreage for hay, crops, or vegetables	Farm around 300 acres, owned and rented. Most is in hay but some corn and small grains are also grown. Have market garden and farm stand as well as grass fed beef and Alpine dairy goat operation. Mostly organic practices.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	y y y y y y		Has been farming for 10 yrs fulltime, part- time while in school before that. Assoc. degress in Ag Science from SUNY Cobleskill	

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463	Flexible	5-15 (flexible)	To operate a horse business, including teaching, lessons, training and boarding		Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures		Barn with a sturdy roof. Can build stalls and other infrastructure. Horse facility ideal. Owners need to be ok with people on property (boarders, students, etc).	10 yrs horse training/caretaking & teaching riding. 1 yr apprenticeship w horse trainer in PA. 6 yrs working student. 6 mo dairy apprentice in Germany biodynamic farm. 2 yrs assistance @ Camphill Village, Copake biodynamic farm	Partner grew up on biodynamic farm in Copake, and has spent last 6 years teaching outdoor ed classes and camps to children
467	Ideally within ten miles of farm (Copake)	100+	Need more land for hay production. Would manage the land organically.	Farm cattle, sheep and pigs as well as growing vegetables, herbs and seeds.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Has been farming for over 20 yrs. Last 5 yrs at Camphill Village. Practice organic/biodynamic farming.	

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474	Kinderhook/Stuyves ant area	4-5, possibly more in future	Plan is to start a small, quality hatching operation with select Heritage and coloured egg layers. Also has ducks. Has growing clientele list, and has shipped.	Raises and breeds specialty chickens (Welsummer, Ameracauna, Speckled Sussex, Black Australorp, and Silkie). Sells eggs, hatching eggs, chicks, started poultry, and meat. Uses locally grown feed, and pastures chickens.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	y	Prefer to live on-site with birds. Would like to increase forage and and grass for chickens, and grow some small fruits and vegetables as well. Small barn/building ideal.	Been raising poultry for 5 yrs, gardening for 25. Started raising poultry as business 5 yrs ago.	Moderator and advisor on Hudson Valley chicken list.
475	flexible, Ghent/Stockport area preferable	1,000 +/-	Need hay fields. Have all the equipment and know how to recover fallow fields.	Beef.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			8 yrs beef w 100 head in Columbia County, 15 yrs beef in Kentucky, 300 head	

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478	Near Canaan, Chatham, or New Lebanaon	25-50	Raise pastured chicken, lamb, eggs and silvopastured pork.	Sheep and chickens are moved frequently to be certain they always have access to fresh grass. Pigs rotated through woods to clear scrub, and good for pigs.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Running water preferred. Open field or forest.	Have been farming for 4 years.	Apprenticed at Caretaker Farm CSA and went to Warren Wilson College which emphasizes organic, pasture-based farming
481	flexible	1	Want to grow vegetables, herbs, flowers and small fruit, and to sell produce.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Worked on a certified organic vegetable, herb and flower farm in Putnam County.	Volunteer for 3 seasons and completed apprenticehship in S. Arizona, have worked in greenhouse and on private gardens.

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483	Flexible	10-20 ac	Hoping to to establish a full-food CSA that would supply a complete range of foods to the local community and in addition improve the land	Currently working on business plan	Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures	>	Equipment (tractors, vehicles, implements). Housing is most important, others are desirable	Have been farming for 6+ years each, started as apprentices and have been in managerial positions for the last 4 yrs	
486	Flexible	3-10	Would like to start vegetable production. Could achieve agricultral assessment in first year. Would like to consider starting CSA, will ential discussion with landowner (re: member access)	Works on a farm in Canaan, NY. Grows vegetables, herbs and flowers.	Housing Fencing Equipment	Y Y Y Y O Y	Needs barn and water, ideally would like greenhouse or help installing one, living arrangement, fencing, and assistance in clearing/breaking ground. Interested in lease to buy arrangement.	Fairly new, young farmer, heading into 3rd season. Grow organic veggies and herbs.	

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497	Flexible	10 +/-	Would like to grow corn, potatoes, garlic, vegetables, and herbs		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Would be interested to lease and/or share land with another farmer	Has rented land before, worked in partnership with other farmers	Has been a vendor at farmers markets in NYC, Dutchess and Orange Counties for the past 10 years
505	Flexible, want to relocate to Columbia County.	60 ac pasture	Long term lease from another dairy farmer of preferably a tie stall farm, with pasture.	Purchase feed operation, do rotational grazing. Milk approx 40 Holstein cows.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	50-60 cow barn, heifer facility of some sort would be ideal. Housing would be good.	Have rented several farms over the past 11 years.	

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509	Flexible	Flexible	Would like to grow vegetables, possibly partner with another farmer to produce prepared foods		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Flexible	Helped start-up advanced organic greenhouse operation for heriloom tomatoes. Attended farm apprenticeship program at thetreeoflife.nuasst farm manager, set up farm education program, ran sprout operation, grew up farming in family garden	
510	Flexible.	30 +/-	Looking to start their own farm with focus on providing a "whole diet" to CSA members. Will include vegetables, fruits, dairy, sugars, proteins, etc.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Currently working an apprenticeship this seaon, have worked on one other farm previously.	About 3 years farm experience.

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519	Could drive 20 min from site in Staatsburg, but would be willing to go further if needed	5	Have market garden, sell to restaurant in New York City and engage new farmers in getting experience working with the land and growing vegetables and herbs. Want to improve soil, support rich education for aspiring farmers.	Market garden (vegetables, flowers herbs)	Water S, Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Interested in four- season growing and will use the land for these specific crops. Need access to water. Barn is a plus but not needed.	Have been growing vegetables, flowers, and herbs in sustainable manner with 10 yrs combined experience.	
523		5+/-			Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Envision a B&B as well as classes, and farm to table growing with markets and restaurants. Looking for a creative, longterm land sitation with housing.	Owned farm in Maine with daughter, have been exploring farming in Columbia County.	Besides farming, has done food catering, and teaching rural skills and art.

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524	Flexible	30-40, depends on vegetation of property	Looking to move existing goat dairy. Has all equipement, animals and accounts. Uses sustainable farming methods and rotational grazing. Also raises Heritage breed forested whey fed pigs. Sells cheese in NYC markets, restaurants, and cheese shops.		Housing Fencing Equipment	y y y y y y y	Housing nice but not required, fencing nice but can build her own, and barns desirable but not required as she can put up a non-permanent greenhouse barn. Needs building for milk parlor, milk room and cheese facility. Can be an old tie stall barn.	Has owned a commercial goat dairy for last 6 years, last 3 licensed to produce and sell fresh, aged and raw milk cheese	Carries Animal Welfare Approval Certification. Interned at an organic dairy farm, learned all about milk production, milk quality, cheese making, aging and marketing.
526	Northern Dutchess and Columbia Counties	15-20	Looking to double cultivated acres in 2012 with an additional few in cover crop.	Grows 4 acres of mixed vegetables and 1/2 acre of cut flowers leased from Herondale Farn for 110 CSA members and farmers markets.	Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures		Looking for barn to base operations out of that is close to new fields. New land will become farm center, looking for long term lease. Has business plan, but it needs to be updated. Working with financial advisor to create projections for future.	Has been farming for 12 years, worked and apprenticed for 6 of those. Owned market farm business in Sonoma CA for 2 yrs then moved back east and started Sol Flower in 2008.	

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558	Flexible	10 or more, tillable plus additional pasture	Would like to lease land for poultry, vegetables, sheep or goats. Have experience selling at farmers markets, and will pursue other direct sales options. Want to raise grass fed meats, and organic vegetables, possibly berries.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	A tractor would be ideal. Would like a long-term lease on farmland ideally with house and other infrastructure. Land they are currently farming is for sale, so are looking to relocate.	Has done a number of apprenticeships in the past, including market gardening, dairy, and small livestock.	Has been farming the last two years renting land in Dutchess County, growing organic vegetables and raising chickens.
575	Flexible, good if near Hudson or w/in 30 min of Albany	15+	Looking for 15+ acres with a secure long-term lease, or rent to own option to move their growing buseinss to.	Grow organic mixed vegetables on 3 acres, and market produce at Hudson Farmers Market and through a 50-member CSA.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Ideally would like to live on the property where they are farming, but not required.	Has run successful farm business with farm business partner for the past 3 years, and worked on many other farms before that	

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576	Flexible	3-5	Beginning farmer from northern Westchester interested in growing hops on larger scale in the Hudson Valley and specifically Columbia County.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ Structures Other		Have grown hops for 3 years in Canaan and South Salem, NY	
582	Flexible	Flexible	Growing crops for dairy cows.	Dairy farm and grows crops for cattle	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			

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583	Northeast corner of Columbia County, flexible	2+	Organic vegetables		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other			Started a farm 2 yrs ago on 2 acres, 17x19 greenhouse, small CSA and 2-3 farmers markets/yr.	Started small organic farm/garen for different communities and project, lived on a permaculture farm in Hawaii for a season before that.
594	Kingston area	1-5	Would like to expand vegetable and fruit production of existing farm and possibly start a CSA	Currently manages a small urban farm in Kingston, grows diversified vegetable crops and sells directly to restaurants, customers at farmstand and winter market.	Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Willing to have a shorter term (2-3 yr) lease on the property	Started farming in 2003 as an apprentice at wholesale vegetable and meat bird farm in PA. Since then has been intern and asst farm manager at Poughkeepsie Farm Project, farm manager at Philles Bridge Farm.	Currently running South Pine Street City Farm, an urban farm in Kingston. Has focused on vegetable production for CSA modeled farms, but has grown wholesale production and raised livestock such as meat and laying chickens, sheep and goats.

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595	30 miles from Ancramdale, depending on situation	80 +/-	Feeds hay and baleage to cattle, needs additional acreage to harvest hay.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other		Raised on current farm, a former dairy farm. Raising grassfed beef organically for 12 years.	
596	Flexible	3-5	Looking to establish a goat farm. Currently breed dairy/meat goats.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Also intersted in sustainable vegetable growing.	Worked at greenhouse and vegetable farm in West Nyak for 6 years. Raised pigs, chickens, rabbits and calves. Took care of horses and ponies.	

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600	Flexible	2-4	Medicinal herb farm, to run as a CSA (providing members with monthly shares of herbal and medicinal product-tinctures, teas, herb infused honeys and oils, lotions and creams, elixirs, and wines). Raw herb material will be sold to practitioners.		Water Housing Fencing Equipment Barns/ structures Other	Will use low impact cultivation methods. Farm will be beautifully planted and arranged.	Will be partnering with an experienced organic farmer. Participating in intensive study of medicinal plants, both at Umass and with a Master Herbalist. Going to apprentice w an established medicinal herb farm in Columbia County.	Past owner of the Living Tree Healing Center, an alternative approach to maintaining health and well being.