

# Beginning Farmer Incubator

Designed to support new farmers as they gain critical experience, the farm incubator gives young growers the opportunity to run an independent small-scale sustainable operation in a resource sharing environment.

#### **The Program Provides**

- · organically managed acreage with on-site housing
- tractor, hoop house, greenhouse, cold storage & wash station use
- proximity to Geneva & Chicago area farmers' markets & restaurants
- the opportunity to live with other sustainably-minded growers
- access to on-going education and active community support

#### Life at the Farm Incubator

Participants live together, share farm infrastructure, and support each other while running their own agricultural enterprises and will host a monthly community outreach event. Events can be anything from a cooking workshop, to a film screening, to a group weeding session.

#### **How the Program Works**

Space at the farm incubator includes access to all infrastructure and housing and runs from January 15 - December 15. Prices vary depending on room selection, with an average price of \$450/month. Options for couples and shared rooms may be available.

#### **About Pushing the Envelope Farm**

Established in 2008, PtEF works to raise awareness and support for sustainable agriculture and teaches educational programs on environmental ethics. The farm features large community gardens, honey bees, laying hens, and several agricultural businesses.



### **TO APPLY**

Send a letter of introduction to arrange an interview to GenevaFarm@gmail.com

## FOR MORE INFORMATION call 630.578.3313.

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