

# WASHINGTON STATE ORTING VETERANS FARM



## VETERANS CONSERVATION CORPS MISSION:

Serve those who served by providing Veterans and their families with self-directed connections to the lands, waters, and communities in Washington State.

The Orting Veterans Farm collaborates with agricultural training partners and Veteran-led incubator learning farms across WA State.

We are a member of the WA State chapter of the Farmer Veteran Coalition.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT THE VETERANS FARM:

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## **The Orting Veterans Farm cultivates thriving Veteran farmers!**

The Orting Veterans Farm, is situated on the WA State Department of Veterans Affairs' Soldiers Home campus in the Orting Valley. This is a place where Veterans can lease fertile farmland, connect with and learn from other Veteran farmers, attend trainings and workshops, and volunteer to grow food for the community. We have an on-site farm manager that guides and supports Veterans in creating and attaining their agricultural goals.

## **THE HUB FOR WA STATE VETERANS IN AGRICULTURE**

FIND WHAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU AT THE VETERANS FARM

### **1. VETERANS FARM PLOTS FOR LEASE**

Veterans interested in leasing farmland at the Veterans Farm pay an annual fee of \$25 for a quarter-acre plot or \$50 for a half-acre plot, which includes access to irrigation, a community greenhouse, community tools, and cold storage. These resources support the production of row crops, orchards, and small livestock farming.

### **2. WETLAND & FOREST RESTORATION**

With 3 acres of wetland and 30 acres of forest adjacent to the Orting Veterans Farm, we believe that farming is intricately tied to conservation of the lands and waters that surround us. We foster a growing environment that supports soil health, biodiversity, and natural ecosystems while producing nutrient-dense farm harvests. Volunteer opportunities are open to Veterans and their families, as well as community members.

### **3. TRAINING/ INTERNSHIPS**

The Veterans Farm at Orting is a self-directed learning experience guided by each participant's interests. We offer part-time and full-time paid internships for Veterans seeking hands-on farming experience. We have partnerships with organizations that provide educational support to learn about whole farm planning and agripreneurship. We also focus on connecting farmers to Veterans resources and peer support.

### **4. COMMUNITY**

Community is at the heart of the Orting Veterans Farm, where Veterans connect to share skills, learn, and grow together.



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