Transition Towns (Transition Network): Resource Guide

Ongoing

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MA

Boston Food Swap

Walk–in Resource · Open

Boston, MA

Web www.bostonfoodswap.com
Service Temporary

from the website:

About Us
By day, Lyn Huckabee works for the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. By night, she's an avid home cook who tested recipes for Boston UnCommon, the Junior League of Boston Cookbook, spoke on a panel at TechMunch Boston 2011, and helps organize events for the Boston chapter of Green Drinks.

Susan Johnston is a full–time freelance writer who covers food, beverages, and other lifestyle topics for publications including The Boston Globe, Citysearch, Cheers, and Pizza Today. She also teaches at Boston Center for Adult Education and will be speaking at the ASJA 2012 conference in New York City.

Tara Bellucci grew up in her family's Connecticut kitchen where she developed a passion for simple Italian home cooking. Tara spends her non–Food Swap time as a blogger and photographer for Apartment Therapy, a popular interior design blog, and creating marketing for luxury real estate in Boston.

Not surprisingly, the three of us met and bonded through our love of food. We joined a cooking club in the summer of 2006, and while most of the club's original members have moved on, the three of us continue exploring our love of food by hosting potluck dinners, swapping recipes (and extra veggies), and trying out new restaurants.

For years, Lyn scrambled to use up or give away a bushel of tomatoes or zucchini from her CSA farm share before it went bad. So, after spotting a New York Times article about a food swap in Brooklyn, we brought the concept to Boston in the summer of 2011. Armed with our love of homemade goodies and our social media networks, we immediately caught the eye of The Boston Globe's food section, NPR's Public Radio Kitchen, and foodies throughout the Boston area.

The goal of our monthly swaps is to create outlet for sharing surplus goods and offer an alternative to store–bought items, helping swappers eat locally, sustainably, and affordably. We're active in the swapping and local food communities, and we're working to grow the swap through blogging, social media, and partnerships with like–minded organizations.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Environmental; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Events, Community Meetings; Food * (ANY/ALL Types); New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Food Production/Distribution; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Farmer's Market, Local/Regional; Transition Towns (Transition Network)

Updated Mar 13, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9121

Jamaica Plain Forum (Speaker Series, Social Change Events, etc)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Boston, MA

Web jamaicaplainforum.org
Service Temporary

from the site:

The Jamaica Plain Forum is a free public speaker, workshop, and film series bringing together neighbors, scholars, and organizers around issues of peace, justice, the environment and civic engagement. We promote true democracy and challenge concentrated wealth, corporate influence, and military power. We host timely community–based conversations on the great issues shaping our neighborhood and our planet.

A program of the Institute for Policy Studies hosted in The First Church in Jamaica Plain, Unitarian Universalist, the Jamaica Plain Forum hosts speakers from the Jamaica Plain community who are involved in dynamic and stimulating work near and far, as well as regional and national authors, activists, artists and thinkers.

Chuck Collins, a local neighbor and activist founded the Jamaica Plain Forum in 2008. Currently, Tracy Bindel serves as the JP Forum Coordinator.

All are welcome to attend the Jamaica Plain Forum. All programs follow the principles of tolerance, respectfulness and inclusiveness.

Although no fee is required for attendance, donations contribute to building–use fees and JP Forum expenses.

All Jamaica Plain Forum activities are wheelchair accessible unless otherwise published.

Contact the JP Forum at info @ jamaicaplainforum.org.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Consumer Issues; Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Human Rights; Advocacy, Social Justice, Fair Labor/Worker Rights; Community Service Program; Disasters in the Making/ Disasters Waiting to Happen (reports of risk of disaster); Documentation, Capitalism (the ruthless sort), Issues with & Solutions to; Event Listings; Events, Community Meetings; Events, Protest Actions; Events, Social, Holiday Event * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Facility: Meeting space; New "Business" Models, Education; Social Event *(any/all types) see also category "Events"; Social Event, Films/Cinema/Movies/Lectures; Social Event, Networking Group *any/all types; Training, Activism; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types)
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Co–Operative Businesses, Coops, Co–ops, Cooperatives; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network); Unitarian Universalist (UU) Church
Updated Feb 26, 2015 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9925

JP Transition.org (Transition Town, Post–Carbon Transition Economy)

Volunteer Camp · Open

Boston – Jamaica Plain, MA
Web jptransition.org
Service Temporary

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Disasters in the Making/ Disasters Waiting to Happen (reports of risk of disaster); Documentation, Capitalism (the ruthless sort), Issues with & Solutions to; Documentation, Economic; Documentation, Environmental Education; Events, Community Meetings; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Environmental Impacts; Information Resource, Neighborhood Network; Information Resource, Responsible Buying Guides; Information Resource, Sharing Networks/Timebanks; Information Resource: Watchdogs, Environmental; Information Resource: Watchdogs, Environmental, Reports of Greenwashing; Information Resource, Watchdog Site, Government; Information Resource, Watchdog, Transparency & Accountability; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Recycling Network, Database for Trading/ Re–use (NO FEE); Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Feb 26, 2015 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9924

Somerville Tool Library NOT FREE ($50/yr, free tool loans, fix it advice)

Open Business* · Open

Somerville, MA
Web www.somervilletoollibrary.com/faq2.html
Service Temporary

See live links at website above:

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is a tool Library

2. Where is the Tool Library Located?

3.How do I become a member?

4.What are the rules and policies?

Answers

1. A tool library is a library that loans tools. For a yearly membership fee, borrowers over 18 can borrow up to 7 tools per week from our growing collection of power and hand tools.
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2. The Somerville Tool Library is located inside Parts and Crafts, the family hackerspace located at 577 Somerville Ave. across from Conway Park outside of Union Square. Street parking is available.
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3. Membership costs $50 per year. You must be 18 years or older and sign the Membership Agreement and a Waiver. You can pay by paypal via this form or by making out a check to The Somerville Tool Library and mailing it to: The Somerville Tool Library 577 Somerville Ave. Somerville MA 02143

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4. The rules and policies of the Tool Library are laid out in the Membership Agreement

Services offered: Building Materials, Green Building Materials; Construction, Building Material Reclaim/Reuse/Recycle; Demographic Served: Artists/Artist Communities; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Demographic Served: Unemployed; Demographic Served: Victims of Economic Injustice, Urban; Directories,

Recycling; Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Recycling Methods; Information Resource, Sharing Networks/Timebanks; Library Services * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Library Services, Not–Just–Books Lending; LOAN ONLY, Power Tools; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Recycling Network, Database for Trading/Re–use (NO FEE); Recycling, Random Stuff; Recycling, Services * (ANY/ALL Types); Resource Bank; Resource Website for "Green" (incl socially just) Products/Services; Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions; Saw Horse; Social Enterprise (low–profit BUSINESS); Social Event *(any/all types) see also category "Events"; Social Event, Arts & Crafts; Social Event, Networking Group *any/all types; Social Event, Sewing/Quilting/Kniting/Crochet, Knitting Circle; Social Event, Sewing/Quilting/Knitting/Crochet Circle; Social Events, Party / Festival; Tool Bank, Community; Tools * (ANY/ALL Types); Tools, Drill; Tools, Garden Tools; Tools, Hand Tools (Srewdrivers, etc.) * (ANY/ALL Types); Tools, Masonry Tools * (ANY/ALL Types); Tools, PowerTools * (ANY/ALL Types); Tools, Prybar; Tools, Saw * (ANY/ALL Types); Tools, Tape Measure; Tools, Tool Set, Electricians Tool Set; Tools, Tool Set, Plumbers Tool Set
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Co–Operative Businesses, Coops, Co–ops, Cooperatives; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network); Tribal Communities
Updated Jan 6, 2015 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9902

Central Mass PermaCulture Meetup

Walk–in Resource · Standby

Worcester, MA
Service Temporary

the last we heard of this group was this link, which no longer works http://www.meetup.com/Central–Mass–Permaculture/events/155299912/

But we know you're out there! so we're keeping this listing in as inspiration to find you all! please touch base if you know what's happened to the group

Also, here's a greater Boston permaculture Meet up group which looks similar:
https://www.meetup.com/Boston–Permaculture/

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Advocacy, Environmental, Land Preservation; Advocacy, Environmental, Solar; Advocacy, Environmental, Water; Advocacy, Environmental, Wildlife; Agriculture/Farming/Gardening Resource; Disaster Mitigation, Economic, Community; Disaster Mitigation, Environmental; Documentation, Environmental Education; Events, Community Meetings; Information Resource, Alternative Schools/Education; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Environmental Education, Energy Conservation; Information Resource, Environmental Education , Recycling; Information Resource, Environmental Impacts; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Food Production/Distribution; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions; Social Event *(any/all types) see also category "Events"; Social Event, Book/Study/Discussion Group; Social Event, Films/Cinema/Movies/Lectures; Social Event, Networking Group *any/all types; Training Classes, Agronomy
Campaigns: 350.org; Alternative Societies; Bartering Network; Community Supported Agriculture (CSA); Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Pollution; Environmental Sustainability; Farmer's Market, Local/Regional; Global Warming Relief Supplies/Services; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Dec 28, 2019 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9844

Energy Barn Raising (free/donation requested energy saving retrofitting)

Volunteer Camp · Open

Worcester, MA
Web www.worcesterroots.org/projects–and–programs/worcester–energy–barnraisers
Service Temporary

The Worcester Energy Barnraisers strive to promote environmental sustainability as well as social and economic justice though collaborative home energy efficiency projects. We organize energy barn–raisings which empower and inspire diverse groups of people to take energy conservation into their own hands. Through barn–raisings, volunteers have the opportunity to learn valuable, replicable skills from team leaders that they can use to gain experience for green collar jobs, and apply at home to trim down energy consumption and heating bills while simultaneously reducing our collective carbon footprint. We are translating the negative effects of climate change into inclusive community solutions that are accessible to everyone.

See video at the above link

Website: www.energybarnraising.org
Email: energybarnraising @ gmail.com
Phone: 508–377–3932

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Advocacy, Environmental, Energy; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Construction, Green/Energy Retrofit; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Environmental Education, Energy Conservation; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Services, Weatherization Services; Volunteer

Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Environmental Sustainability; Social Activists/Organizers; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Apr 6, 2014 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9861

Time Trade Circle (Bartering Network – NO MONEY)

Info/Hotline · Open

MA

Web timetradecircle.org
Service Temporary

from the site:

The Time Trade Circle is a local bank - but we keep track of time. When you spend an hour of your time performing a service for somebody else, we credit you with one Timebank Hour. You can cash in that Timebank Hour on a service provided by another member of our bank. Whether you give a music lesson, take care of someone's pet, volunteer at a community center, or help someone get to a doctor's appointment, one actual hour equals one Timebank Hour.

Services offered: New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Recycling Network, Database for Trading/Re-use (NO FEE); Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Bartering Network; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Extreme Poverty; Social Change Initiative; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Dec 2, 2013 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9752

NY

Occupy Wall Street (Non-Violent Protest Against Wall Street) #occupywallstreet

Walk-in Resource · Open

Liberty Park/Zucotti Park; Zuccotti Park between Broadway and Church streets and Liberty and Cedar Streets., Manhattan, NY

Contact Organizers
Email general @ occupywallst . org, press @ occupywallst . org
Web occupywallst.org
Service Temporary

ABC coverage:
http://abcnews.go.com/blogs/headlines/2011/10/occupy-wall-street-protests-spread-across-the-country-bloomberg-calls-them-misguided/

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/news/occupy-wall-street

See link above and the list below for live links to the reference photos/videos. This page doesn't have active linking capabilities, except the above one. Sorry. Press on...

UPDATE: Some pictures http://twitpic.com/6pzd48
http://twitpic.com/6pzcf6
http://twitpic.com/6pzbxi
http://twitpic.com/6pza9z

Video: http://www.twitvid.com/ZCB5U

Where: Liberty Square (How to get there)
Donations: NYCGA Donation Page
Help & Directions: +1 (877) 881-3020
General Inquiries general@occupywallst.org
Press Inquiries press@occupywallst.org

https://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=144937025580428
http://www.occupywallstreet.org/
http://occupywallst.org/
http://nycga.net/

general@occupywallst.org

DONATION PAGE:

http://nycga.cc/donate/

For money orders or supplies (NOT FOOD):

we have a shipping address now!
The UPS Store
118 A Fulton St #205

NY NY 10038
C/O Occupy Wall St

Order a pizza: http://www.seamless.com/food-delivery/Liberatos-Pizza-Parmigiana-New-York-City.2674.r

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49 Comments
Noam Chomsky Announces Solidarity With #occupywallstreet

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Anyone with eyes open knows that the gangsterism of Wall Street -- financial institutions generally -- has caused severe damage to the people of the United States (and the world). And should also know that it has been doing so increasingly for over 30 years, as their power in the economy has radically increased, and with it their political power. That has set in motion a vicious cycle that has concentrated immense wealth, and with it political power, in a tiny sector of the population, a fraction of 1%, while the rest increasingly become what is sometimes called "a precariat" -- seeking to survive in a precarious existence. They also carry out these ugly activities with almost complete impunity -- not only too big to fail, but also "too big to jail."

The courageous and honorable protests underway in Wall Street should serve to bring this calamity to public attention, and to lead to dedicated efforts to overcome it and set the society on a more healthy course.

Noam Chomsky

Please call:
Mayor Bloomberg: +1 (212) 639-9675 or +1 (212) 788-2958
Deputy Commissioner of Public Information: +1 (646) 610-6700
NYPD Switchboard: +1 (646) 610-5000
First precinct: +1 (212) 334-0611

Make our voice heard. Make sure that the world knows that everyone deserves equal protection, service, and punishment.

Remain true to our principles of non-violence.

UPDATE: 4:51 PM EST Two more videos of Officer Bologna senselessly attacking peaceful protesters.

Boston Review reports on being maced by Anthony Bologna

88 Comments
A Message from Occupied Wall Street (Day Nine)

Published 2011-09-26 08:03:45 UTC by OccupyWallSt

This is the ninth communiqué from the 99 percent. We are occupying Wall Street. The police barricades that have been surrounding the Stock Exchange help.

Sunday has been decreed, once again, a day of rest. We didn't march. We have made a new world, a new city within the city. We are working on a new sky for where the towers are now.

Throughout the day our sisters and brothers arrested yesterday came back home to Liberty Plaza. They greeted the new faces that have joined us here. They shared their stories of imprisonment, of medical care denied and delayed. We welcomed them and listened.

March Guidelines

Published 2011-09-25 04:23:55 UTC by OccupyWallSt

1. Stay together and KEEP MOVING!
2. Don't instigate cops or pedestrians with physical violence.
3. Use basic hand signals.
4. Empowered pace keeps at the front, back and middle of every march. These folks are empowered to make directional decisions and guide the march.
5. We respect diversity of tactics, but consider how our actions may affect the entire group.

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Calendar, Community Events/Protest Actions; Demographic Served: Social Peers; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Demographic Served: Victims of Economic Injustice, Urban; Demographic Served: Victims of Environmental Injustice; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Documentation, Volunteer Instructions; Documentation, Volunteer Management Guidance; Event Listings; Events, Community Meetings; Events, Protest Actions; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Recycling Coordination; Information Resource, Alternative Schools/ Education; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Legal, Human Rights; Information Resource, Neighborhood Network; Information Resource: Online Alert Registry; Information Resource, Online Networking, Blog; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group; Information Resource, Online Networking, LinkedIn; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds; Information Resource, Online Networking, YouTube; Information Resource, Press

Releases; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Information Resource, Tech, Social Media; Information Resource, Watchdog Site, Government; Information Resource, Watchdog Site, Social Justice; Management, Volunteer Coordinator & Management, Volunteer; Media, Broadcast, Live On–Location, Cameras, Snapshots; Media, Broadcast, Live On–Location, Cameras, Video; Media, Broadcast Media; Media Coverage; Media, Online News Reports; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; News Source, Online, Disaster Coverage; Volunteers, Short Term Volunteer Opportunities
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Arts Community / Artist Network; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Environmental Sustainability; Global Warming Relief Supplies/Services; Green–Rainbow Party; Occupy Wall Street / Occupy America / Occupy Together; Rainbow Community; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Oct 13, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8995

Worldwide

National Resources Defense Council (Green Living Tools/Info/Resources)

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.nrdc.org/living/stuff/default.asp
Service Temporary

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Environmental Education, Energy Conservation; Information Resource, Environmental Education , Recycling; Information Resource, Environmental Impacts; Information Resource, Recycling Methods; Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Ending Pollution; Global Warming Relief Supplies/Services; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Apr 25, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9141

Shareable (blog focused on Community–based Currencies, Timebanks, Alternatve Economies, other sharing ways)

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.shareable.net/tag/sharing–economy
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Specific to Community Currencies: http://www.shareable.net/blog/how–to–start–a–community–currency

Sharing Economy Law:
http://www.shareable.net/tag/sharing–economy

Services offered: Demographic Served: Environmental Disaster, Populations Affected by; Demographic Served: Social Peers; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Demographic Served: Victims of Economic Injustice, Urban; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Management Advice; Information Resource, Recycling Methods; Information Resource, Sharing Networks/Timebanks; Media Coverage; Media, Online News Reports; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Economic; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Intel/Mgmt; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; News Source, Online, Disaster Coverage; Recycling, Recycling Network & Gift Recycling; Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions; Social Enterprise (low–profit BUSINESS)
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Social Activists/Organizers; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Oct 23, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9378

Transition Towns (Transition Network) Sustainable Communities

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.transitionnetwork.org
Service Temporary

This group helps communities develop process and policies so that they will become more resilient and economically/ecologically sustainable in a "post–carbon" world.

Go to the link above for guidelines on how to become a "transition town".

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Advocacy, Environmental, Energy; Advocacy, Environmental, Land Preservation; Advocacy, Environmental, Solar; Advocacy, Environmental, Water; Advocacy, Environmental, Wildlife; Agriculture/Farming/Gardening Resource; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Demographic Served: Artists/Artist Communities; Demographic Served: Environmental Disaster, Populations Affected by; Demographic Served: Social Peers; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Demographic Served: Victims of Economic Injustice, Urban; Demographic Served: Victims of Environmental Injustice; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Disaster Mitigation, Economic, Community; Disaster Mitigation, Environmental; Disasters in the Making/Disasters Waiting to Happen (reports of risk of disaster); Documentation, Disaster Planning; Documentation, Disaster Preparedness Guidance, Community Groups; Documentation, Environmental Education; Documentation, Standards, Health & Human Rights; Event Listings; Events, Community Meetings; Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable;

Information Resource, Environmental Education; Information Resource, Environmental Education, Energy Conservation; Information Resource, Environmental Education , Recycling; Information Resource, Environmental Impacts; Information Resource, Recycling Methods; Information Resources, Disaster Mitigation; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Training, Government Policy; Training Government, Training on How it Works
Campaigns: Alternative Societies; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Nature Conservancy; New "Business" Models; Social Activists/Organizers; Transition Towns (Transition Network)
Updated Sep 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8969