

# Make a Difference

Your donation, no matter the size, will make a difference.

## Support a New Putney Common:

- **Donate Online:** Visit [www.vlt.org/greencommons](http://www.vlt.org/greencommons).
- **Donate by Mail:** Make a check payable to Vermont Land Trust with "Green Commons" in the memo line, and mail it to: Vermont Land Trust 8 Bailey Ave Montpelier, VT 05602

## Contact Information:

For more information on this project, please contact:

### Green Commons of Vermont:

Tom Deshaies, GCVT Board President  
(802) 387-0383  
GreenCommonsVT@gmail.com

### Vermont Land Trust:

Jennifer Garrett, VLT Project Director  
(802) 246-1503  
jennifer@vlt.org



# Help Protect Putney Common:

A forever home for a community garden, farmers' market, and gathering space



# The Time is Now

Putney Common, a beloved one-acre green space in the town of Putney, is for sale! This land has been home to the Putney Community Garden and Farmers' Market for over a decade. Now, there is an opportunity to secure its future. Under the ownership of Green Commons of Vermont (GCVT), a local, community-focused organization, the land will be permanently protected and managed for generations to come.

## How you can help

We need your support to raise \$30,500, the final 20% required for GCVT to acquire the land and establish a management fund. Together, Vermont Land Trust and GCVT have applied for grants covering nearly 80% of the cost.

With your donation, we can ensure a permanent home for the Putney Community Garden and Putney Farmers' Market, guaranteeing that it remains a vibrant community hub.

## Benefits:

- **A Thriving Community Garden:** Gardeners in 70 plots grow their own food while building connections. A donation program with the Putney Food Shelf strengthens food security for the local community.
- **A Vibrant Farmers' Market:** 25 vendors offer local dairy and produce, with programs promoting access to affordable, fresh, and healthy food. Cultural events and live music enhance community engagement.
- **Essential Green Space:** Parklets with benches and picnic tables will draw community members to Putney Common for a relaxing respite. Small play areas for children will attract local families, and perennial gardens will attract both bees and cameras.
- **Synergy with Housing:** This project aligns with the priorities outlined in the 2023 Putney Town Plan, which emphasizes mixed-income housing and the preservation of green space. To achieve these goals, GCVT will acquire Putney Common from the Windham & Windsor Housing Trust. This acquisition will benefit future residents of the nearby housing development by providing them with access to open green space, a vibrant farmers market, and a flourishing community garden.

