



# GLENORA FARM

A CAMPHILL COMMUNITY

*Help us create a new egg-cellent workshop!*

## WHO WE ARE

The Ita Wegman Association of BC for Curative Education and Social Therapy (“Glenora Farm”) is an intentional community based on an organic-transitioning farm located in the rural community of Glenora in the Cowichan Valley on Vancouver Island. Through the modalities of cooperative agriculture, inclusive arts and culture, and integrated home supports, Glenora Farm provides life-enriching day programs and empowering residential care for adults with developmental disabilities (Companions).

## WHAT WE DO

Glenora Farm’s strength-based wraparound services address the dynamic needs of each of our Companions while celebrating their unique contributions. Through daily classes and activities (“workshops”), Companions develop expertise and discover new interests in the areas of farming, life skills, art, and culture. These experiences enable our Companions to discover talents, contribute to the farm/community, and develop applied life/vocational skills. Our workshops also help catalyze self-efficacy, confidence, and a sense of belonging among our Companions. These opportunities for personal growth, achievement, and community-building are critical for persons with disabilities – a population that often faces disenfranchisement, marginalization, and isolation because of their special needs.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are seeking your support to help us introduce a new egg-production workshop to Glenora Farm! This new initiative will establish a 75-hen layer farm that will be managed by our Companions with assistance from Coworkers (Glenora Farm personnel) and volunteers. This 7-day/week program will involve animal husbandry (feeding, caring for, and cleaning up after the chickens), food cultivation (collecting, cleaning, and storing the eggs), and basic economics (budgeting for feed, counting/tracking inventory, and managing/recording sales).

While most of the eggs produced by this new workshop will be consumed on the farm, surplus eggs will be distributed to the community via donations to organizations helping individuals/families facing food insecurity (Nourish Cowichan and Cowichan Valley Basket Society) and sales (via the Glenora Store, farmer’s markets, Cow Op, CSA boxes and a farmgate stand). This will reduce our operating costs (by providing an in-house supply of eggs and generating revenue through sales) and will help our Companions participate in, and give back to, the local community (through point of sale transactions, donations to food security serving organizations, and special events related to the program). This workshop will help our Companions to build new skills and enhance their self esteem/efficacy, improve our financial sustainability, and contribute to local food security.

So far, Glenora Farm has received a donation of 23 laying hens, a \$10,000 grant from Vancity to purchase chicken coops, and a \$2,000 donation from the Duncan Lions Sassy Lion Thrift Store for program costs. We are asking for your help to cover the cost of chicken feed during the project’s first year (\$5,500). With this assistance, we can establish this program and start generating the eggs/revenue we need to keep this program going in the future!

## TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS EGG-CELLENT ADVENTURE

Please fill out the form on the back and return it by mail with a cheque OR visit <https://glenorafarm.org/> > click “donate now” in the top right corner > select “chicken workshop” from the drop-downs.



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**YES, I would like to help Glenora Farm feed their chickens!**

Donation amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of donor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque included

I would like to be contacted to arrange another form of payment

**Is there anything you would like us to know about your contribution?**

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**Thank you for supporting Glenora Farm's chicken project!**