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### **Chestnut Hill Farm in Southborough Welcomes New Farmer** *Erin Espinosa joins The Trustees as the new Farm Manager at Chestnut Hill Farm*



**BOSTON, MA** – February 10, 2023 – [The Trustees of Reservations](#) (The Trustees) announces Erin Espinosa is the new farm manager at Chestnut Hill Farm in Southborough.

In addition to managing the field crop operations at Chestnut Hill Farm, Espinosa will oversee the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program and collaborate with farm staff on public engagement and education programs. She most recently worked at Gaining Ground, a fully no-till, non-profit farm in Concord, MA.

“We’re excited to welcome Erin to Chestnut Hill Farm. Her enthusiasm for organic, sustainable farming practices, commitment to community and reputation as a talented grower combine to be a great fit for Chestnut. Erin will have a wonderful impact on the farm; her generous, collaborative nature positions her well to be a respected neighbor and resource for the residents of Southborough,” said D.A. Hayden, Trustees Director of the Charles River Valley Portfolio, of which Chestnut Hill Farm is a part.

Espinosa brings with her extensive experience, starting with volunteer work at a local farm while she was a high school student. Prior to joining The Trustees, she worked for 13 years at farms in Massachusetts and North Carolina, managing greenhouses and field operations while developing a focus on food justice and agricultural systems.

“I am passionate about the social impact of farming. The intersection of food security and sustainable farming practices inspires the way I farm,” Espinosa said. “These two concepts go hand-in-hand. The more socially and environmentally resilient Chestnut Hill Farm is, the more people we can feed for a longer period of time.”

Resiliency is just one area of emphasis at Chestnut Hill and other Trustees farms, where daily farming practices happen alongside a wide variety of opportunities for the public to explore and experience the farm.

“We are so grateful that Erin has joined our farming team. She brings meaningful and relevant production experience and a passion for engaging the local community,” said Jennifer Core, Trustees Director of Agriculture. “Erin is deeply committed to the things we care about most across our farms - soil health, climate resilience, community relationships, and the marriage between innovation and timeless practices inherited from generations of farmers.”

Some of Espinosa’s other priorities include growing an exciting variety of high-quality organic vegetables for Chestnut Hill customers, including members of the farm’s CSA program and those who shop at the retail Farm Store. The CSA offers weekly or bi-weekly shares of certified organic produce grown at the farm, and members pick up their share over 20 weeks from June to October. Espinosa will also offer various pick-your-own experiences and will be growing flowers for purchase.

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