



Subject: Partnership Proposal: Collaborative Program for Food Security and Community Empowerment

Umoji Energy, a 501(c)(3) community organization, is writing to express our profound interest in establishing a collaborative partnership with your esteemed program. We were particularly drawn to your commitment to sustainable agriculture and community outreach, as highlighted on your website.

Our mission at Umoji Energy is to empower vulnerable populations, including adults transitioning from incarceration, individuals experiencing homelessness, and poverty-stricken children and families, by providing them with the tools and resources necessary for self-sufficiency and resilience. We believe that sustainable agriculture and food security are fundamental to achieving this goal.

We envision a collaborative program that would encompass the following key elements:

- **Food Forest Development:** Establishing and maintaining food forests in strategic locations to provide accessible and sustainable sources of nutritious food.
- **Educational and Training Programs:** Offering comprehensive coaching, training, and mentorship in sustainable farming practices, drought-resistant agriculture, and food preservation techniques. These programs would be tailored to meet the specific needs of our target populations and would extend to public schools, colleges, and community groups.
- **Community Food Stations:** Creating and maintaining free, accessible food stations stocked with produce from our food forests and other sustainable sources.



- **Fundraising and Resource Development:** Collaboratively organizing fundraising initiatives to support the development and expansion of our programs and infrastructure.
- **National and Global Outreach:** Sharing our model and expertise with communities across Oregon, nationally, and globally, to promote food security and resilience in the face of environmental and economic challenges.

We recognize the invaluable expertise and resources that our partnerships possesses in sustainable agriculture, community engagement, and research. We believe that a partnership between our organizations would create a powerful synergy, enabling us to achieve our shared goals of fostering food security, community empowerment, and environmental sustainability.

We are particularly interested in exploring how we can leverage your research on drought-resistant crops and sustainable farming practices to enhance the effectiveness of our programs. We are also eager to collaborate on developing educational materials and training modules that are accessible and culturally relevant to our target populations.

We would be honored to schedule a meeting to discuss this proposal in greater detail and explore potential avenues for collaboration. We are confident that together, we can make a significant and lasting impact on the lives of vulnerable individuals and communities.



Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your positive response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Umoji'. Below the signature, the website address 'WWW.UMOJIENERGY.COM' is written in a very small, grey, sans-serif font.

THE UMOJI TEAM

